

# The Vulcan Advocate

"Serves the Heart of Southern Alberta's Wheat Belt"

Christmas  
Greeting  
Edition

41st Year, No. 20.

VULCAN, ALBERTA, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1953.

Subscription \$2.50 a year in advance.

Mrs. John Hunter President

## Legion Auxiliary Elects New Slate of Officers

The December meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion was held Wednesday, Dec. 1 with a splendid attendance of members. Mrs. H. Matlock, the president was in the chair and conducted the meeting assisted by the secretary, Mrs. C. D. Miller.

Correspondence was read and committee reports given.

Mrs. J. Hanna and Mrs. C. Matlock agreed to represent the Auxiliary at a Legion meeting to be held shortly, to discuss plans for the coming polo campaign.

The sum of \$10 was voted to a deserving family, and donations of View-Master Stereoscopes and reels were made to two young polo victims, as Christmas remembrances.

At the conclusion of the business session, the meeting was turned over to Zone Commander, John Hunter and Legion secretary, Jack Moffitt, who were to conduct the election of officers for the Auxiliary for the coming year.

Prior to the election Mr. Hunter explained that Alberta Legion branches are undertaking the raising of a considerable amount of money, to assist in a Polo Campaign, and that ways and means of aiding in this worthy project were under consideration locally. The drive will be from Jan. 4 to 30th, and all possible aid is urged.

The following slate of officers was named for 1954: President, Mrs. John Hunter; 1st vice president, Mrs. A. C. Marsh; 2nd vice president, Mrs. D. Ross; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. E. W. Sparks (acclamation).

Executive Council: Mrs. K. Loucks, Mrs. R. J. Clark, Mrs. Ron Marshall, Mrs. S. Degenstein, Mrs. C. McKay and Mrs. H. Rutberg.

New officers were installed by the retiring president, and a hearty vote of thanks was given, the entire retiring slate of officers for their work during the year.

A short social period was enjoyed, with members exchanging small gifts by way of a Christmas Pie. Lunch was served by a committee.

## Farewell Party At Parish Hall

On Sunday evening a farewell party was held in St. Andrew's parish hall for Mr. and Mrs. John O'Connell.

An evening of Court Whist was enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. Jeanne Anderson, on behalf of their many friends, presented Mr. and Mrs. O'Connell with a table lamp and expressed the wish of all for happiness in their new home.

Rev. Leo Bartley, who has left to assume duties in Warer, was also honored on the occasion and Mr. Al Rousseau, on behalf of the CWL, presented Father Bartley with a small token of remembrance.

A delicious lunch was served by the ladies of the parish.

## Christmas and N.Y. Activities

Local stores and other business places will be closed Friday and Saturday this week — Christmas Day and Boxing Day. At New Year's, the stores will be closed the one day only, on Friday, Jan. 1st, and will re-open on Saturday.

There is no Christmas or Boxing Day dance advertised for Vulcan this year, but a Christmas dance will be held at Champion, Dec. 25. Special attractions will be shown at the Vulcan Theatre during the holiday season.

The Elks' annual New Year's Eve dance will be held in the Vulcan Armories Dec. 31 and dances to bring in the New Year will also be held at Champion, Carmangay, Brant, Milo and Lomond.

## Regular Meeting Candlelight Circle

The Christmas meeting of the Candlelight Circle of the Church of Christ was held at the home of Mrs. James Chapman with 28 members and eight visitors in attendance.

Minutes were read and approved and correspondence was dealt with. Plans were completed for the Fellowship supper to be held January 15th. \$20 was sent to Missions.

Following the business meeting the roll call was answered by each member taking part in a Christmas program which caused much merriment for all.

The devotional thought was brought by James Chapman. Gifts for the Pollyannas were exchanged from a daily decorated tree, and new Pollyannas drawn for.

A lovely Christmas lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Emil Schmidt, Mrs. Calvin Hollister and Mrs. Stan Wickstrom.

## Birthday Party

An enjoyable party was held at the home of Marianne Burns on Saturday evening, Dec. 19, on the occasion of her 13th birthday.

Guests included Louise Loucks, David Saxby, Pat Paris, Jean Harold, Wayne Shortt, Margaret Joiner, Dale Clark, Frances Earl, Jay Scott, Bobby Schrag, Godfrey Clarke, Sandra Paris, Dean Parker and Blaine Middleton.

Marianne graciously thanked her friends for their lovely gifts and games were played. The carol contest was won by Louise Loucks and Dale Clark and the bag and balloon contest by Marianne Burns. Dale Clark, Pat Paris and Wayne Shortt. Bingo was played and then



CHURCH OF CHRIST CHOIR

The 33-voice choir of the Vulcan Church of Christ presented the Christmas Cantata, "The Star of Bethlehem" in the local church on Sunday morning, Dec. 20, and again in a repeat performance

Tuesday evening, Dec. 22. Under the leadership of its choir master, Lloyd Jones, it also sang before a packed house in the Tuxedo Park Church of Christ in Calgary on Sunday night, and again on Mon-

day night it was presented at Leith bridge in the Church of Christ there. It will be presented again this coming Sunday, Dec. 27, in the Broxy Theatre in Nanton.

—Photo by: Haydamack

## Couples Club Has Christmas Party

The Vulcan United Church Couples Club held their Christmas party in the form of a progressive Christmas dinner and 12 couples enjoyed the traditional turkey dinner.

The starter was held in the spacious rumpus room at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Tompkins and the group then proceeded to the manse of Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Clarke for the main course. Dessert and coffee was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hansen at Ensign and the remainder of the evening was spent singing carols and listening to instrumental numbers by Harold Hansen, Henry Hansen, Charles Northcott, Ed Roebuck and Don Brinker. Games were conducted by Leonard Volsey and vocal numbers presented by Harold Ulmer and Bill Shields, accompanied by Mrs. Clarke.

The Couples Club extend the compliments of the season to all and with the approach of the New Year the newly-elected officers are looking forward to a bigger and happier year for all who desire to join in the fellowship of this club.

—Contributed.

## THE WEATHER

A white Christmas has been assured with a five-inch snowfall on Sunday last. Lower temperatures accompanied the snow, with the mercury dropping to five above early Tuesday morning, but milder weather is forecast.

all gathered around the piano and sang carols. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess.

## No Advocate Next Week

This Dec. 24 edition of The Advocate is the last issue of 1953. Following the custom of previous years, The Advocate will not be published the week between Christmas and New Year's.

Following the weekend holiday, the Advocate office will be open during the usual hours the following week for commercial printing and general business.

The next edition will be published Thursday, Jan. 7, and town and district correspondents are reminded to send as much of their news as possible in the previous week end in order to avoid an overload of type-setting on the 5th and 6th.

## New Pastor For St. Andrew's

On Monday evening, Dec. 14, Rt. Rev. J. S. Smith, Director of St. Mary's Cathedral in Calgary, officiated at the induction ceremony of Rev. Louis Connolly, recently appointed pastor of St. Andrew's Church, Vulcan, Immaculate Conception Church, Champion and St. Joseph's Church, Lomond.

Rev. H. F. Ritter, a former pastor of Vulcan, preached the sermon for the occasion which was witnessed by a full church of parishioners from Vulcan and Champion.

Other clergy present were Very Rev. Joseph Le Fort, Chancellor of the diocese of Calgary; Rev. R. Sullivan, F. Mongeau and F. Dallas, all of Calgary.

Following the induction service

## Vulcan Flax Places Ninth at Chicago

Gordon E. Clayton has received notification that his entry of flax placed ninth in its class at the Chicago International Grain Show, Dec. 5.

Mr. Clayton's sample was of Redwood Flax, a new, heavy-yielding variety. The Field Crops Branch of the provincial department of agriculture has advised that samples of flax shown at the Chicago show were of exceptionally high quality. This was Mr. Clayton's first entry in a grain show and the result is very encouraging.

## Cinemascope Screen For Outdoor Th'tre

Construction will begin in the spring on a fibre glass screen for the local outdoor theatre. This is a recent development and permits of fused joints eliminating any lines showing in the picture.

Projection equipment is now on display in the old Calgary Power building and when installed will give Vulcan the most brilliant picture possible in an outdoor theatre.

The picture will be projected a distance of three hundred and ninety feet and the ramping will permit of all cars being located immediately in front of the huge screen, thus eliminating all distortion.

The picture will be projected in a southwesterly direction which will eliminate the "surround light" by the early twilight in the long summer evenings.

a social hour was held in the church hall.

New School Ready in January

## Year-end Meetings of County Committees Held

County Councillors held their usual December meetings last week and transacted principally routine year-end business.

At the School Committee meeting held on Monday, Dec. 14, Committee members discussed the matter of a questionnaire sent from the Alberta School Trustees' Association in respect to teachers from the Old County Committee members were in agreement with a plan to bring a certain number of teachers from England to augment the teacher shortage in the province. A motion was passed to agree to participate in the cost of maintaining a representative in London to interview prospective teachers and the Committee also agreed to advance transportation charges to be collected from future salaries.

The Committee discussed the matter of children living on the Indian Reserve and attending the Arrowwood school. It was decided to have the parents of these children interview the School Committee in respect to the cost of tuition and transportation.

The Committee also discussed a letter from J. M. Jamison, Solicitor, Vulcan, in respect to the matter of the Liberty Community Association and the school swings which were moved from the Liberty school site to the Milo school site. The Committee passed a motion to stand by its decision to retain these swings from the sale of the Liberty School.

A letter from the janitor at the Carmangay school asking for an increase in salary from \$200 to \$250 per month was considered, and a motion passed to the effect that an increase in this salary is not warranted.

Ray Flitton interviewed the Committee in respect to the van route in the Alston area and the Committee promised to further study this matter and bring it to the attention of the Committee at the next meeting.

A delegation composed of Robert Jamison and Arthur Cutforth, representing the Vulcan Square Dance Club, interviewed the Committee in respect to obtaining the auditorium of the new Vulcan High School for square dancing. This matter was considered by the Committee and the decision was that the auditorium be not allowed for this purpose as it was against the policy of the School Committee.

Applications for the position of janitor of the Vulcan Public School were considered and a motion was passed to engage David Neville, whose duties would commence on January 1st, 1954, at a salary of \$2400 per year, payable monthly.

The Committee discussed informally the matter of the new territory which is being added to the County of Vulcan and noted that if the proposed additions are made on January 1st, that Lomond, Mossleigh and Herrington schools would come under the administration of the school committee. Instructions were given to the Secretary-Treasurer to prepare for the taking over of these schools and the teaching.

## Enjoyable Program At Home & School

The regular meeting of the Home and School Association was held Dec. 15 in the Grade 1 room of the school. The theme of the meeting was Home and School and the community.

The Library representative Mrs. J. Jamison reported at the meeting. The majority of the members present approved the serving of tea by the Home and School at the official opening of the new school, provided this meets with the approval of the school committee.

Mrs. Manning, the president, spoke on room meetings and reported on the grade 2 room meeting.

The business meeting was interrupted while the members enjoyed a dance by Marie Richardson, Joan Richardson and Marie Manning.

At the conclusion of the business meeting grades 4 and 5 sang Xmas carols, accompanied by Miss Cameron at the piano. Soloists were Barbara Budd and Christopher Panter. Mr. Burchak announced the selections. The children were trained by Miss Cameron.

The president thanked the children, Miss Cameron, Mr. Burchak and Mrs. Clarke who accompanied the girls who danced.

Lunch was served by Mrs. H. Roebuck and her committee.

Mrs. Markert's grade 6 room won the prize for having the most parents at the meeting.

cars, janitors and van services, to operate until the next meeting of the school committee which would be held on January 11, 1954, at which time a definite policy would be stated as to salaries and wages for van drivers and janitors.

An application from the Vulcan Civil Defence Committee for use of the Cottage School after it was vacated was considered. It was moved by Mr. Matlock and carried that the cottage school be made available to the Civil Defence Committee for its headquarters and instructional rooms.

No definite word has been received from the contractors as to when the new high school would be completed and ready for occupancy, but the Committee Members felt that the school would be in operation about the middle of the month of January.

Committee members also discussed the matter of the formal opening of the school and decided to try to obtain the Minister of Education, Mr. Aalborg, to be present at the ceremony which would likely be held about the middle of February.

It was noted that there are a number of old school bells in the County and that there had been applications to purchase these bells. It was decided to sell them at \$25 each.

**Municipal Committee**  
The Municipal Committee of the

(Continued on Page 10)

## THE ADVOCATE STAFF

Bob Munro - Allan Sampson - John Black - Betty Sampson

and all our News Correspondents throughout the County of Vulcan

extend to you and yours sincere good wishes for a

# Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year





## The Vulcan Advocate

"Serves the Heart of Southern Alberta's Wheat Belt"  
Member Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association  
and Alberta Division, C.W.N.A.  
Founded in 1913 by Charles Clark  
An Independent Weekly Newspaper issued  
every Thursday afternoon at the office of  
publication, Vulcan, Alberta. Subscription  
price per year: In Canada \$2.50, United  
States and other countries \$3.50. Single  
copy 5c. Advertising rates furnished on re-  
quest.

Authorized as Second-class Mail by the  
Post Office Department, Ottawa  
R. C. R. MUNRO  
Editor and Publisher

## Christmas . . .

This is the season of Seasons  
This glorious time of inner warmth  
This joyous planning of others' joy  
This glow that grows from giving  
This proof of our finer selves  
This beloved source of happiness  
This magic - this wonder -  
— — — THIS IS CHRISTMAS.

## Resting On Our Laurels

We must progress with the times. When we buy a car it begins to depreciate the minute the ink is dry on the sales agreement—not because the car is any different or any less useful or efficient, but new models are on the way. The same thing happens to many civic improvements and unless we keep on improving every year we soon find ourselves outstripped by neighboring towns. No community can lead the way in all improvements but all it takes is a little laziness, a little indifference and a little time to make it slip back in every way.

—Wetaskiwin Times.

## Pioneer Days

The rancher is still king in the foothills, and he grows good cattle, better by far than the average farmer. These old pioneers were big operators and in ordinary business channels would have been considered big business men, but when contaminated by the smell of the corral, the smart alec of the big city is apt to wise crack away the glamor. Many of these old-timers accumulated vast fortunes. Many of them were caught in the slumps that followed World War 1 and the depression of the '30's. Believe me I told you of an incident concerning a Southern Alberta rancher who took a shipment of cattle in to Calgary and wanted to buy a fur coat for his wife. They went directly from the stockyards to the fur store and selected an \$800.00 garment. When they suggested payment for it by check the proprietor demurred. Well, would he accept a P. Burns & Co. cheque? Yes, that would be fine. The rancher handed the furrer a hundred and forty-three thousand dollars, the receipts from a single shipment of beef cattle.

—Camrose Canadian.

Faith is mind at its best, its bravest and its fiercest. Faith is thought become poetry and absorbing into itself the souls' great passions. Faith is intellect carried up to its transfiguration. —Charles H. Parkhurst.

He that does good to another man does also good to himself, not only in the consequence, but in the very act of doing it, for the consciousness of well-doing is an ample reward. —Seneca.



May we express to you our appreciation of your goodwill and patronage during this past year.

May you all enjoy the Merriest Christmas and the Happiest New Year you have ever known.

## QUEENIE'S

### LADIES' READY-TO-WEAR

Queenie Marshall, Prop.  
—QUALITY AT FAIR PRICES—

## Classifieds

**Classified Advertising Rates**  
2 cents per word first insertion, minimum charge 50 cents; 1 cent per word second and subsequent insertions, minimum charge 25 cents. Cards of Thanks and In Memoriams, 2 cents per word, minimum charge 50 cents.

### FOR SALE

**FOR SALE** — Few choice farm listings. See J. Lundy Findlay, Real Estate and Insurance, Ph. 228 or Res. 61. 13-tfc

**FOR SALE** — Enterprise Oil Cook Stove, white enamel with reservoir. Phone R104, Vulcan. 20-1p

**REGISTERED HEREFORD Bull** for sale. Two years old. Phone 279, Harry Roebuck. 9-tfc

**CHAMPION** — 3-room home, furnished, fenced yard, outbuildings. \$1950 full price. See Fred Wise for key. 20-2c

**FOR SALE** — Four bedroom, 1 1/2 story house, well located, full bathroom, basement, new coal furnace and stoker, some work needed. \$6300, some terms. Apply J. Lundy Findlay, Phone 228 or Res. 61, Vulcan. 16-tfc

**CALVES FOR SALE** — Purebred Shorthorn Bull Calves and Steer Calves. D. Lepatourel, 1/2 mile north of Okotoks. 20-3c

**RECOMMENDED FARM LANDS**  
800 acres N.E. Vulcan, some buildings, \$55 acre, 2-3 cash.  
770 Acres full set buildings, power, telephone, etc. Near Vulcan. \$70 acre, 2-3 cash.

320 Acres N.E. Vulcan, good buildings, power, telephone, van route. \$65 acre, 2-3 cash.

640 Acres near Lake MacGregor. \$19,500 cash.

480 Acres between Mossleigh and Vulcan. Buildings. \$47 acre cash.  
480 Acres S.E. Vulcan, buildings, power. Leased 2 years. \$60 acre cash.

**J. LUNDY FINDLAY**  
Real Estate and Insurance  
Phone 228 or Res. 61, Vulcan  
16-3c

**12 RISING 2-year-old Registered Hereford Bulls**, mostly sired by Pine Coulee Royal Domino 32nd. Full brother to Campbell's \$5500 bull at Calgary 1953 sale. Also 12 bull calves bred the same way. Will take some grain on these bulls. Jim Wyatt, phone 9149-14, High River. 20-3c

**CHOICE BALED PRAIRIE Wool**, stored at Vulcan, \$25 per ton. See or phone C. M. Allen, Phone 130, Vulcan. 18-tfc

**GEESSE FOR SALE**, also 40 Hampshire hens, one year old. Loss Kuykendall, Phone 1024, Vulcan. 19-2p

**FOR SALE** — House 24x34, situated in Ensign. Can be sold as is or can be easily moved. Will sell for cash or take wheat in trade. L. J. Palosky, P.O. Box 578, High River. 18-3p

**FOR SALE** — Five good quality long yearling Hereford Steers. Jack Hunter, Ensign. 19-tfc

**COUNTER CHECK BOOKS** — Order your requirements from the Vulcan Advocate, Phone 36. Lowest prices, best service.

### LOST

**LOST** — Gold Bar Pin with RCAF crest. Good Reward. Please return to Advocate office. 20-2c

### FOR RENT

**ROOMS FOR RENT**. Phone 283, Vulcan. 13-tfc

**LAND FOR RENT** — Section of choice wheat land to rent to responsible party who will purchase adjoining half-section. J. M. Jamison, Phone 39, Vulcan. 18-3c

**FOR RENT** — Three-bedroom house, centrally located. Would lease it for one year. Phone 366, Vulcan. 18-tfc

**HOUSE FOR RENT** — Four rooms, lights, water. Also have houses for sale, with lights and water and some with gas heating. Phone 163, Jimmy Yee, Vulcan. 19-3p

### WANTED

**WANTED** — A girl to help with housework in exchange for room and board. Contact Mrs. Biswanger, Phone 2016, High River. 19-2c

**MAKE \$75 and up every week.** Full or part time. Take orders for Canada's largest selling, nationally advertised LIQUID FERTILIZER. No investment. Write "Na-Churs" Plant Food Co. (Canada) Ltd., Langarth St. West, London, Ont. 18-3c

### STRAYED

**LOST** — White face Steer calf, branded V on right ribs. Finder please notify Jim Murphy, Milo, or phone R804, Milo. 15-tfc

### NOTICES

**FREE** — Seven Collie Puppies to be given away. Five males and two females. Write Mrs. Bennett Dew, Majorville, Alta. 20-1p

**WHEEL ALIGNMENT and Wheel Balancing.** Stop road wander and tire wear. Phone 96 for appointment. Wheat Centre Motors Vulcan. 47-tfc

**TO BUY OR SELL** a house in Vulcan, see J. Lundy Findlay, Real Estate and Insurance. 13-tfc

**FIRE AND LIGHTING Insurance** on grain stored on farms. Rates are very low. See J. Lundy Findlay, Complete Insurance Service. 13-tfc

**NOTICE** — Tupperware Home Parties Ltd. Dealer: Mrs. D. E. Galloway, Phone 226, Vulcan. 19-tfc

### CARD OF THANKS

We would like to extend sincere thanks and appreciation to all our friends and neighbors who helped fight the fire at our place on Wednesday, Dec. 9. A Merry Christmas to all of you.

—Alec Schneider.

### CARD OF THANKS

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to Dr. Tompkins and the nurses and staff of the Vulcan hospital for their kindness and care; to the Champion W.A., Amity Club and those who sent cards; and to Harry Cowgill for fruit.

—Mrs. J. D. McDougall

### ST. ALDHELM'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, VULCAN

Rev. J. C. E. Reuss

We welcome all our friends to the Christmas Services as time-tabled below:

**Christmas Eve, Dec. 24**

St. Aldhelm's Church, Vulcan, 11:30 p.m. Watch Night Service and Holy Communion.

**Christmas Day, Dec. 25**

Emmanuel Church, Carmangay: Holy Communion, 11 o'clock.

**Sunday, Dec. 27**

Herrington Community Hall: Community Service with Carols at 11 o'clock.

St. Aldhelm's Church, Vulcan, Evening Prayer, 7:30 p.m.

**NETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Divine Service at 2:30 p.m. on Jan. 3, 1954.

Sunday School following the service.

## EDMONTON REPORT

By Donald F. Smith  
Special Correspondent

EDMONTON. A dozen press and radio men gathered in the hall outside Premier Manning's office recently. When they entered his office they received reports eagerly awaited in oil and business centres throughout Canada and most of the United States. It represented thousands of hours of hearings before and study by the Alberta Petroleum and Natural Gas Conservation Board.

The question was the exporting of Alberta's natural gas through multi-million dollar pipe-lines to eastern Canada and portions of the United States.

The board's recommendations to the government were to approve a relatively small export into Montana but to reserve decision on two major applications, one by Trans-Canada Pipe Lines Ltd. and the other by Western Pipe Lines. The board contended that either company had proved it was assured of sufficient eastern markets to enable them to pay fair prices to Alberta producers. The report said the board would resume its sessions as soon as the companies could submit the evidence required.

To most so-called trained observers the unexpected was the government's announcement following receipt of the board report. While agreeing with the board in its recommendations, including the finding of sufficient gas for eastern export, the government urged that the two applicant companies amalgamate their proposals into one grand project.

This, the government statement said, would mean the construction of an all Canadian pipe line from Southern Alberta through Regina and Winnipeg to Ontario and Quebec. It would also include a branch line from Winnipeg to the Minneapolis area south of the In-ammagamation and construction of the suggested line would not only insure economic feasibility but would speed the beginning of major export, which the government feels is necessary if development of the province's gas and oil resources is to continue at a high level.

The board's report was composed

international boundary.

In the government's view the of thousands of words of text and a multitude of numerical tables—a document crammed with technical information and discussion centered around gas in millions, billions, and trillions of cubic feet.

The only saving factor for newsmen, who would have had to spend many hours searching for the board's major conclusions and reasons for making them, was the government statement summarizing the findings.

Export of gas to eastern Canada in the immediate future now apparently hinge on the ability or desires of the two companies to get together on a co-operative project which it is estimated would cost from \$275 to \$360 million and take at least two years to build. The provincial government will be aided by the federal government, which is to call the two companies to a conference to discuss amalgamation. Premier Manning says he has been assured by Prime Minister St. Laurent that the federal government will "do all it can to facilitate such an amalgamation at the earliest possible date." At Ottawa, immediately following release of the report, Trade Minister C. D. Howe confirmed the government's support of the all Canadian line and said it would press the amalgamation proposal.

In the words of the provincial government, "Such a project, properly designed, would meet the requirements of the national program for the large scale development and utilization of Canadian resources by and for the people of Canada and at the same time establish a valuable, expandable export market which would substantially improve the economics of the overall project, permitting higher prices to western producers and lower prices to eastern consumers."

What would happen if the companies cannot agree on amalgamation was not immediately clear. One thing it would mean, the Premier indicated, would be more long drawn-out hearings before the conservation board—each company competing for the export permit and trying to prove that its plan of development was more feasible than that of the other company. The Premier declined to comment on the hypothetical question of whether the government would approve a permit for only one of the companies.

Magnitude of the entire project can be seen from combining the estimated cost of the export line—about \$300 million—and the suggested cost of \$200 million for a gathering system, processing plant and gas exploration program with in the province.



With kind thoughts and best wishes for a Very Merry Christmas and may the New Year bring you Great Happiness, Good Health and Prosperity.

**W. E. Roebuck**  
Vulcan



and A  
Very Happy  
New Year!



WITH SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR  
THE FRIENDLINESS THAT HAS  
MARKED OUR BUSINESS RELATIONS WE WISH YOU  
A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND  
A HAPPY, PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

## LLOYD'S JEWELRY

—Vulcan—



Now that  
Christmas  
is here . . .

We hope that the very atmosphere about you will be charged with the good old cheer of Christmas and that you and yours will have a full measure of the best the season affords.

## VULCAN BAKERY

Phone 80

H. F. deJong, Prop.

## Holiday Milk Deliveries

NO MILK DELIVERY

Christmas Day, December 25th

New Year's Day, January 1st

You are reminded to order extra milk on the day before these holidays

(We will deliver milk on Boxing Day, Dec. 26)

Please put out all empty bottles

## FLETCHER'S DAIRY

Cares and trouble vanish for a brief time in the joyous spirit of Christmas fellowship. May your loved ones be close to you this Christmas—may the Star of Peace shine o'er your home.

Christmas  
and A  
Very Happy  
New Year!  
**3-WAY STATION LTD.**

—Vulcan—



# Season's Greetings from the Merchants of Champion



## Season's Greetings

To you whose friendly patronage and good will helped make this year a happy one, we extend our sincere appreciation and our good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

## ERICKSON'S

Champion, Alta.

## Season's Greetings . . . .



## Christmas Cheer to All!

Your patronage during the time we have been in business is greatly appreciated, and we trust we will continue to merit your confidence in 1954.

To all our customers and friends we extend the very best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

## FRED & AUDREY CARTWRIGHT THE VARIETY SHOP

Champion, Alta.

## Season's Greetings

WITH the closing of another year we take this opportunity of expressing our hearty appreciation of your patronage throughout the year and of wishing you and yours a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

## CHAMPION SUNDRIES

GEO. MOSES

Champion

Alberta



At this season of Good Cheer we wish to express our appreciation of your friendship and patronage and to extend our best wishes for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

## CHAMPION MOTORS

W. A. KEENAN

Champion

Alberta

## Champion Legion Sponsors Excellent Boxing Card

Champion Branch No. 262 of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., presented another in their series of Amateur Boxing Cards in the Champion Community Hall Wednesday, Dec. 16 to a packed house.

Jack Emery of Lethbridge, president of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada told this writer "that in the last 20 years of Amateur Boxing in Southern Alberta there was never a better organized fight card than this one."

Some of the best Amateur boxers from Western Canada took part in this event. The number of Champions headlining the card gave ample demonstration of how they became champions. The officials handling these fights were: Promoter R. (Barney) Barnes, Champion; Announcer, J. H. (Joe) Buchanan; in charge of seating, A. L. (Bud) Siler, Champion; Timekeepers, Art Ulrich, Champion and Dave Gardiner, Cayley; Referees, Kenneth Phillips, Cayley and John Pahara, Lethbridge; Judges, Charlie Phillips, High River, Keith Phillips, High River and J. Cavanal, Okotoks. Dr. A. D. Tompkins of Vulcan was the physician in charge.

The following is a list of the results of the bouts:

Tinny Smallface vs. Mouse Smallface, both of Cardston. Three-minute rounds. Result: Draw.

Don Stewart, 135 lbs. of Okotoks vs. Robert Scott, Lethbridge in 3 rounds of 2 minutes. Scott gained a decision in this fight when the referee stopped it in the third round.

Ki Yip of Lethbridge met Gordon Hurd of Cardston in a fast and furious two fisted fight in the 100 lb. class with Hurd gaining a decision at the end of the third round.

Doug Patterson 118 lbs. of Champion fighting his first amateur event K.O'd Gordon Lugren, 119 lbs. in the first round.

a TKO over C. Gennett of Okotoks in the second round. Solonback gives promise of a hard hitting fighter with a wonderful left, which needs a bit of perfecting.

Bryce Summerfeldt, of Cardston fighting Bryan Drope, of Lethbridge in the 126 lb. class won his bout with the TKO in the first round.

That fighting son of the Emerald Isle, Michael Kelly, 145 lbs. fought Hugh Tallow 146 lbs. of Cardston in the most bloody battle of the night, both boys punching all the way. Kelly gained a TKO near the end of the second round.

In the semi-windup, Buddie Palmer, 120 lbs. of Vancouver, B. C. and Pacific N.W. Bantamweight champion for 1953 and Eddie Soup 120 lbs. of Cardston, Alberta Bantamweight champion of 1952-53, really brought the crowd to their feet for the full three 2 minute rounds. Palmer was given the decision by the judges.

Tommy Palmer, 139 lbs. of Vulcan, Provincial Lightweight champion of 1952-53 fought with his usual mastery style and gained a decision at the end of three rounds over Darrel Albison, 139 lbs. of Cardston, Alberta Lightweight Champion of 1952 and runner-up for International Diamond Belt for 1953. Albison being in there all the way to keep up his end of the duel.

After the windup, C. H. Versluys president of the Champion Legion Branch, presented the following trophies on behalf of the Branch.

Best Novice fighter, Grant Solonback, High River.

Outstanding fighter of the night, Buddie Palmer, Vancouver.

Best Bout, Tommy Palmer, Vulcan and Darrel Albison, Cardston.

The local Legion then treated the visiting fighters and escorts to a supper in the Savoy Hotel Coffee Shop.

Miss Irene Bonetti who has been attending University of Alberta in

Edmonton, is spending the holiday season at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gust Stuerer.

Frank Bonetti and Jack Howerton were visitors in the Pass on Thursday, at the home of Frank's grandparents.

Ted Carlson has been quite ill in the Vulcan hospital, suffering from a septic throat.

Gordon Willagar is spending his holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Willagar in Gilroy, Sask.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Fritzler were visitors to Lethbridge on Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hartung accompanied by Eril Fritzler were visitors to Medicine Hat last Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clever have returned from Eastern Canada with their new car.

T. O. Erickson has also returned with a new car and was accompanied on the return trip by his mother-in-law, Mrs. Schuman, who had been visiting in Toronto with her daughter.

Mrs. Tim Barry was a Lethbridge visitor in Lethbridge on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Miller and small son of Edmonton arrived in town last Friday. Mrs. Miller and baby plan to take up residence in the small house formerly occupied by Mr. Alexander.

Miss Betty Jones and Mrs. Jack Long will be giving instructions in figure skating this season. Anyone interested are invited to contact either of these ladies after Dec. 21.

Mrs. Donald Clifford and small son of Wetaskiwin arrived in town on Sunday evening accompanied by Dick Jopling and Eddie Barry of Edmonton, each to spend the holiday season at the homes of their parents. Mr. Clifford arrived on Thursday to spend the holiday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howerton.

Miss Gloria Fraser of Calgary returned to her home here on Friday for the Yuletide holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hartung were guests on Tuesday at the home of the latter's brother and sister-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. S. R. Sherman at Warner.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Barnes attended the Southern Zone meeting in Lethbridge of the Hotelmen's Association. The president, A. Swinerton gave a report on scholarships that were awarded by the Hotel Association, and from the letters received from those who had received these awards, three were chosen to be read at this meeting. Miss Irene Bonetti's letter was one of these three.

Mrs. Ray Barnes was a Calgary visitor for several days this week.

The W. A. Christmas party was held at the home of Mrs. Bess Siler on the 10th of December, with Mrs.

Latiff as co-hostess. Mrs. Dawson beautiful songs that will never and Mrs. Gloer, in charge of the grow old. Mrs. Latiff was chosen entertainment, had chosen Christ- to be the official delegate to at- nas Carol and the ladies spent a tend Church Board meetings held pleasant afternoon singing the at outside points during the year.

## Best Wishes

At this traditional season of the year we are glad of the opportunity to thank all our friends and customers for their patronage.

We extend to everyone in the town and district our cordial wish for a

Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

## Champion Groceteria

Champion, Alta.

## J. WORTHINGTON

Sales  
Phone 18



Service  
CHAMPION

## Warm Christmas Wishes From all of us to all of you

It has been a pleasure to be of service to you during the past year . . . and we hope that your Christmas will be one of inner peace and outward merriment . . . that your New Year will be a full year of happy achievement.



We would like to express our appreciation to the people of Champion and district for their patronage during the past year, and we hope that the coming twelve months brings you Happiness and Prosperity in fullest measure

## Champion Electric

Stan Matlock



To All Our Customers And Friends!

BEST WISHES FOR THE MERRIEST CHRISTMAS EVER AND GOOD HEALTH AND PROSPERITY IN THE NEW YEAR.

## Beaver (Alta) Lumber Ltd.

O. H. Schneider, Local Manager  
Champion, Alta.

## CHAMPION THEATRE

Saturday, Dec. 19th

The Star Spangled, Laugh Loaded Salute to our P. W. Heroes.

## "Stalag 17"

Starring  
William Holden  
Don Taylor  
Otto Preminger  
Adult



Wreaths, and trees, and tinselled gifts alone cannot make Christmas. It takes bright friendships and solid old acquaintances and cheerful greetings to your neighbors. That's why we enjoy saying to you now

"MERRY CHRISTMAS" and extending to you our appreciation of your patronage and goodwill during the past year

## ALLON and McLEOD

Champion, Alta.



## District News

### MAJORVILLE

Mrs. Ross Bertrand was hostess for the December meeting of the FWUA. The lovely spring-like day found 20 members in attendance. The new officers, Mrs. Papp and Mrs. C. Umscheid were in charge of the meeting.

Routine correspondence and business was taken care of and a letter from the Cancer Society resulted in a decision to set the objective for the cancer drive for the coming year at \$200.

Mrs. Henry read a letter from a pen pal in Kettering, Tasmania, which was very interesting and brought out the fact that farmers in other parts of the world have pretty much the same problems as we have in Western Canada. When work gets behind there is no time to stop. Work goes on night and day until caught up with.

Mrs. Bartsch gave a very interesting report on the convention and Mrs. Winch thanked the members for sending her as visitor. Both ladies concluded it was an interesting opportunity to find out what makes the FWUA tick.

In the handicraft exhibition, from six entries sent, Mrs. Sutherland took first for a woven bag. Mrs. Osler second for an embroidered table cloth and Mrs. Ross Bertrand third for a house dress.

During the afternoon an enjoyable time was had swapping cookies and this will likely become an annual feature of the holiday meeting.

A Christmas gift exchange was also enjoyed by the members.

Mrs. Bertrand was assisted in serving a delicious lunch by Mrs. V. Bertrand, Mrs. M. Monner and Mrs. Ted Klemme.

Mrs. S. Henry will entertain the next meeting with Mrs. Sutherland as assisting hostess.

George Greaves was down from Calgary for a few days recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic Bertrand left on Monday for Long Beach, Calif. to spend Christmas with Vic's mother and brother. They expect to spend the remainder of the winter in the sunny clime.

Mrs. Leslie Greaves is back in Calgary to be able to visit with Leslie during the holiday season. Little Leslie saw her daddy last Sunday for the first time in two months and as she is a real daddy's girl the reunion was a joyous one.

Leslie is now able to get about the hospital in a wheel chair and he still expects to be moved to Banff for further treatments.

The other polio victim of our community, Gordon Boyd, is reported to be coming home for Christmas. This is indeed good news.

The Lutheran Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Morseth for the

Dec. meeting with a good turnout of members. The meeting opened with the singing of a Carol. Pastor or Evanson read a portion of the new Testament during the devotional period. Ten dollars was voted for the Zion Mission Society.

Election of officers was the main business of the afternoon and the following were selected for the coming year. Mrs. C. Thompson, president; Mrs. Jack Deltz, vice-president; Mrs. Freda Prentice, secretary; Mrs. Bob Umscheid, treasurer. An exchange of Christmas gifts followed the meeting.

Mrs. Morseth's daughters, Mrs. H. Godkin and Mrs. L. Robertson and Mrs. Dora Gerding assisted with a lovely lunch.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Bob Umscheid.

### ARMADA

Mr. and Mrs. Max Hanna were Calgary visitors the first part of the week.

Mrs. Stan Marks accompanied her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Chambers to Calgary on Tuesday. C. Stokes, Geo. Stokes and Glen Sealock motored to Champion on Wednesday night to attend the Boxing Matches.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Craine of Calgary are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Stokes.

E. Mortz and his wife of Calgary were on hand last Thursday evening to conduct square dance lessons. The next evening of square dancing will be on Jan. 7 and everyone is asked to bring a lunch box. Coffee will be served at a nominal fee.

Many of the children of the district attended the free show "Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs" held in the Vulcan Theatre Saturday afternoon, sponsored by the Vulcan Legion, Lions and Elks Clubs.

Following the show they all saw Santa Claus and received a bag of candy. I think the clubs should be congratulated for the fine show and the splendid candy bags, considering the number of bags which were filled.

Miss Elaine Grant and Miss Jeanette Kunkel of Vulcan spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. Kunkel.

Allan Grant drove the school van for Glen Root last week while Mr. and Mrs. Root were in the States.

Your local correspondent extends best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year to all her readers near and far.

### ENSIGN

Jim Ferguson has returned from his visit to Winnipeg.

Shirley Kennedy has completed her schooling at Red Deer and has now returned home.

Friends of Mrs. Eva Andrews will be glad to know she has returned home from the hospital.

Mrs. Alex Reid and granddaughter Yvonne left Tuesday to spend some holidays in Hamilton, Ont.

Mrs. E. K. Brown spent a few days in Edmonton.

Calgary visitors this week were Mrs. E. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Turley, Mr. and Mrs. V. Haga, Mr. and Mrs. R. Markert and Mr. and Mrs. H. Markert.

Mrs. E. Kennedy spent Saturday in Lethbridge.

An enjoyable evening was spent Friday night when the Sunday School presented their concert with a good crowd in attendance. Santa called and treats were supplied by the Ladies Community Club.

A number of children from Ensign and district enjoyed the Christmas show in Vulcan on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mote, Earl and Helen attended the Brett-Healy wedding in Calgary. Helen has returned home for the holidays from Olds.

Mrs. McFadden Sr., Francis and Tommy were visitors in the district.

Mr. and Mrs. Thorpe and Mrs. A. Fisher were High River visitors, Friday bringing Jean home.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Flebotte, Mr. and Mrs. B. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Archie McIntyre, Geo. Churchill and Jean attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Geo. Marshall in Calgary on Saturday.

### KIRKCALDY

Friends of Miss Dawna Haga were sorry to hear that she recently was confined to her home with the mumps.

Spencer Lewis, Misses Janet and Mildred Ware motored to Ardenode on Saturday. Miss Ethel Lewis returned home with them to spend the Christmas holiday. They visited in Calgary enroute home.

On Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Bus Carnegie motored to Calgary and their son Buster who has been a patient in the Red Cross hospital for the past year returned home with them. Friends of Buster are pleased to see him home.

Mr. and Mrs. Morley Scobie and family spent Sunday with friends at Fort Macleod.

Friends of Miss Marjorie Kurtz are sorry to hear that she was a patient in the Vulcan hospital for a few days last week. She returned home on Sunday.

On Saturday afternoon after the Annual Children's Party in Vulcan, Santa Claus paid a surprise visit to Buster Carnegie at his home here. Several friends and their families were present to see him and wish him a Merry Christmas.

### Kirkcaldy W. I.

The Christmas meeting of the Kirkcaldy W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. A. W. Malsey on Dec. 17 with 14 members and one visitor present.

The roll call was answered by "A Christmas I Remember The Most".

Reports of the Rest Room Committee and the Library Committee were given.

A statement of the Turkey supper held at Alston Hall on Nov. 30 was given and was shown very successful. It was decided to send a donation to the Candlelight Circle for the use of their silverware on Nov. 30. Christmas parcels to local citizens were to be distributed before Christmas.

Mrs. Flitten was appointed to radio reporter to be assisted by Mrs. Macdonald.

An apron donated by Mrs. Malsey realized \$10.05 and was won by Mrs. Macdonald.

Christmas Carols were sung, accompanied by Mrs. Galbraith. Songs by Mrs. Main and Mrs. Galbraith were enjoyed, also a recitation by Stuart Galbraith which was especially written for him by his grandfather, D. H. Galbraith of Calgary.

Christmas gifts were exchanged and a delicious lunch was served by the hostess.

### Xmas Greetings TO ALL!

K. Roy McLean  
Optometrist



We extend our appreciation of your patronage and goodwill and hope that you have a wonderful Christmas and a happy, successful New Year.

**New Club Cafe**  
VULCAN

### Yuletide Greetings

It is my earnest wish, especially at this time of the year, that no shadow darken the horizon. May your Christmas be a happy one, and your New Year... may it be the brightest yet.

**JACK SCOBIE**

SHOE AND GENERAL REPAIRS IN LEATHER  
—Vulcan—



**JOHN WOLFE & STAFF**

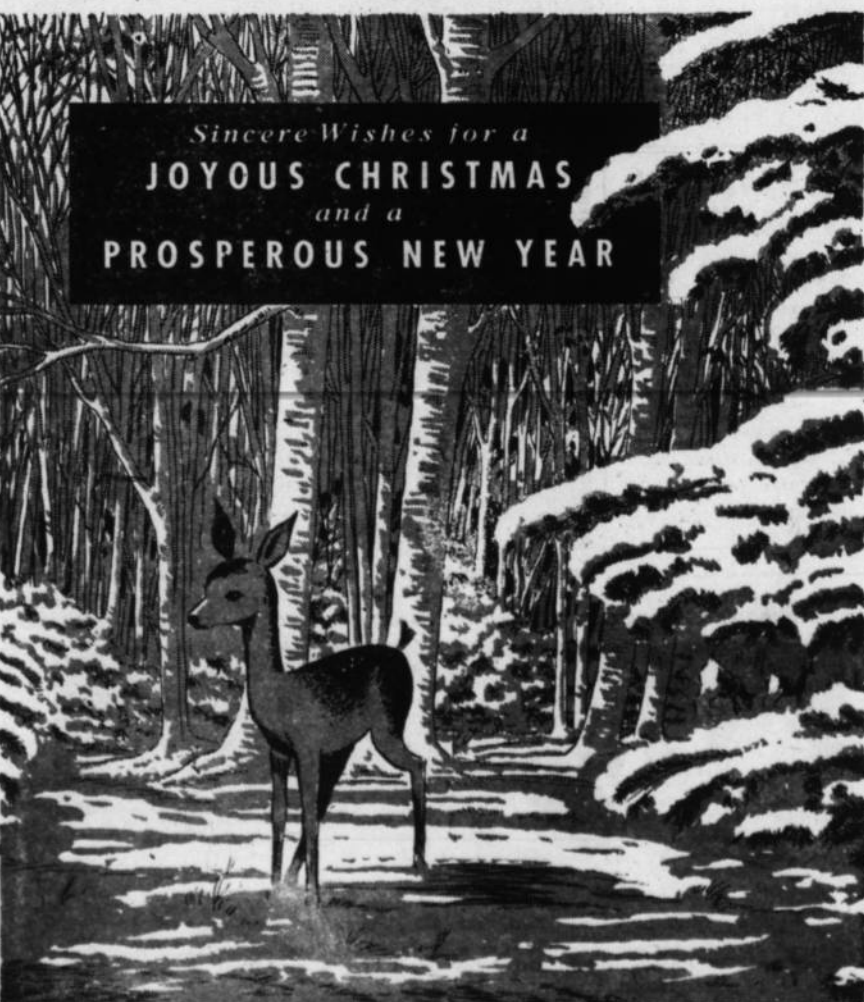


### Season's Greetings To All

May the blessedness of giving and the goodness of sharing that are with us during the holiday season, stay with us long after Christmas Day is over

### A Merry Christmas To All

**Revelstoke SAWMILL CO. Ltd.**  
Phone 37 VULCAN, ALTA.



Sincere Wishes for a  
**JOYOUS CHRISTMAS**  
and a  
**PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**

**JESSE & EMELSON**

Service and Sales

PHONE 50 VULCAN, ALBERTA



In the Spirit of Goodwill and Friendship of the Yuletide we extend to you and yours sincere good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

**A. G. SCOTT**

Blacksmith - Welding

—VULCAN—

### A shopping habit, like others, is hard to break

—That's why people prefer to shop in the stores to which they are most frequently invited—those stores which tell of their offerings in

**THE VULCAN ADVOCATE**

### Professional and Business Directory

**A. D. Tompkins**

M.D., L.M.C.C.

Physician & Surgeon

Office Hours:

10 a.m. to 12 noon — 2 to 5 p.m.  
Carson Block, Vulcan

**John M. Jamison**

BARRISTER — SOLICITOR

NOTARY PUBLIC

BRUCE BLOCK

Phone 39 Vulcan

Residence Phone 34

**George E. Hill**

General Accounting  
Income Tax Returns  
General Insurance

—Phone 341—

Dobbs Hotel Block, Vulcan

**G. A. SALES & COMPANY**

CERTIFIED

PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

Telephones

Bus. 277 Res. 118  
Vulcan, Alta.

**McColl-Frontenac**

Texaco Products

**ALEX GRANT**

Phones: Bus. 150, Res. 164

**Canadian Legion**

B.E.S.L.

VULCAN BRANCH No. 21

Complete Club Facilities

Visiting Members Cordially

Welcome

**A. G. SCOTT**

BLACKSMITH

WELDING

Vulcan Alta.

**Floor Sanding**

Old Floors Made Like New

New Floors Finished

—PAINTING—

PETE ROBERTSON

**PHONE 127**

FOR REPAIRS

TO YOUR CONNOR WASHER

Vulcan Electric Co.

**Painting-Decorating**

TEXTURE CEILINGS

Plasterboard Joint Filling

Blonding — Free Estimates

PIET TEN KATE

Phone 363, Vulcan

Basement Dr. Tompkins Office

**BIG OR SMALL**

WE PRINT IT

THE VULCAN ADVOCATE

**Dr. G. H. Gibb**

DENTIST

BRUCE BLOCK, VULCAN

Phone 176

### REMODELLING

### ALTERATIONS

### GENERAL BUILDING

### CABINET WORK

**W. E. ROEBUCK**

PHONE 325 — VULCAN

### PAINTING - DECORATING

### PAPERHANGING

Plasterboard Joint Filling

Guaranteed

Texture Collings—Free Estimates

**DAVE MELNICK**

Phone 16 Vulcan

### HOME FURNISHINGS

### Vulcan Furniture

—Phone 53—

### Simpson & Son

Plumbing

Heating Tinsmithing

Business Phone 58, Res. 71 or 52

Vulcan — Alberta

### HOUSE MOVING, ETC.

THOS. TRUSSELL

DISC GRINDING

Satisfaction Assured

### J. ALLEN BAKER

AUCTIONEERING

SERVICES

at your request.

FAST PERFORMANCE

YOUR GUARANTEE

Phone 1704, High River

or write P.O. Box 29

Cayley, Alta.

License No. 207-50-51

### Imperial Oil Products

**Ed. NELSON**

Phone 60, Vulcan

—also operating—

**ED'S REPAIR SHOP**

Repairs to Tractors and

Farm Equipment

Shop Work by Emil Olsen





In the event that I do not see you to extend greetings personally, here's wishing you

## A Very Merry Christmas

and

Health, Happiness and all the Wealth that is good for you in 1954

**J. Lundy Findlay**

Real Estate and Insurance

Advocate Classifieds Get Results!

### SOME REFLECTIONS ON POLIOMEYELITIS

This year Alberta has experienced one of the greatest outbreaks of poliomyelitis in its history. At the time of writing, there have been nearly 1300 cases with 92 deaths in the Province. Most of these cases are reported to have had paralysis. It has been estimated that generally 100 non-paralytic or abortive attacks occur compared with one resulting in paralysis.

In former years, poliomyelitis started to appear in epidemic form in the month of July, with the greatest numbers appearing in August or September, and showing a sharp drop in October. This year, however, figures show 45 cases in July, 319 in August, 391 in September and 277 cases in October. Thus the October figure although smaller than August's and September's was still formidable.

The Foothills Health Unit District also had its small epidemic. There were 2 cases in July, 9 in August, 9 in September and 11 in October, but only one in November. Including one isolated case in January, the total number of cases this year is 33; which compares slightly unfavourably with 28 cases reported in 1952.

is reported in 1952.

Of these 33 cases, 25 were reported directly to this Health Unit and of these 13 were male and 12 female. Fifteen cases occurred in children under the age of 10. The youngest case was 11 months old and the oldest 33 years. Two males died, age 10 years and 19 years. Three people living in the same house developed the disease, and another four closely related and coming into day to day contact were also victims.

In an effort to control the spread of poliomyelitis the Provincial Health Department put a ban on children 16 years of age and under attending theatres and swimming pools, and school opening was delayed two weeks after the summer holidays.

Immune Serum Globulin (Gamma Globulin) was also provided free to close contacts of poliomyelitis cases. Unfortunately the serum has to be prepared and concentrated from normal human plasma, and hence has been in short supply. This Gamma Globulin neutralizes all three of the known types of poliomyelitis virus, but significant protection is only provided between the end of the

first week and the end of the fifth week following administration.

In the Health Unit area 2 contacts given gamma globulin developed poliomyelitis, 7 weeks after the injections. It can thus be seen that protection by gamma globulin is short lived.

### Services Provided by Provincial Government

The Province is prepared to provide Isolation Hospital care in Isolation Hospitals at a cost of \$2.00 per day, to the patient. A Provincial payment covers the balance of the charges. Doctor's fees are not included during the isolation period.

Following the 14 day isolation period, the Province provides free all necessary hospitalization that may be required for cases with paralysis or muscle weakness. This includes the provision of splints and use of operating rooms when indicated. This service will only be provided in certain hospitals with special facilities. Dr's fees are paid for ward care, for operations and out patient service. Transportation is not provided.

Rehabilitation or special training for new types of jobs may be needed after paralysis has occurred.

This may commence within the hospital period but most usually afterwards. Special arrangements can be made through the Department of Public Welfare for training suitable to the particular patient. Application forms may be obtained from the Department of Public Health at Edmonton, or from the Health Unit Office.

Canada produces more kinds of knitted wool outerwear than any other country.

Winnipeg-to-Brandon was the first railway mail service route organized in western Canada. That was in 1882.

**FRANK McNIVEN**  
AUCTIONEER  
Licence No. 33-51-52  
LICENSED AND BONDED  
Phone 907, Blackie

## Season's Greetings

The Holiday Season brings to us a keener appreciation of old associations and of the value of new friendships. In this spirit we hope that you may have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

## Loxton's Shoe Repair

# 1954 PONTIAC

*The Shining Star Designed to Rise  
Even Higher in Public Favor*



GENERAL MOTORS  
VALUE

Illustrated: Laurentian Sport Coupe

## 31 MODELS IN 6 GREAT SERIES

• World's smoothest, most dependable Six Cylinder Engine with Increased Compression Ratio for greater efficiency • New Aluminum dipped heat treated valves • Automatic all-weather Engine Temperature Control • Automatic Choke • Amazing new Resonant-tone muffler on Pathfinder and Laurentian Series • 100% full pressure metered flow lubrication, fullflow built-in permanent oil cleaner • Scotch Mist Manifold • Rifle drilled connecting rods • Also the Famous Pontiac Eight Cylinder Engine with increased Horsepower • Three separate chassis with three different wheelbases • Introducing a brilliant new series: "Star Chief" • Famous newly styled

P-554A

Body by Fisher • Multiple color preference • Color-keyed upholstery fabrics.

### WIDEST SELECTION OF OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT\*

• TWO AUTOMATIC Transmissions, Improved Powerglide and Dual-Range Hydra-Matic • New Pontiac Power Brakes • Pontiac's famous Power Steering • New Pontiac Air-Conditioning on the Star Chief • New Comfort Control Seat and Electric Front Window-Lifts on Chieftain and Star Chief Series • New Electric Seat Control and Front Window Lifts on Pathfinder Deluxe and Laurentian Series • Autronic Eye for night-time safety • Shade-Lite Safety Glass with graduated-tint windshield.

\*At extra cost

Pontiac has a wonderful measure of out-of-this-world beauty and features for 1954. Truly, it is motordom's shining star—the star that will rise higher and higher in public favor as its masterful performance becomes known—as its sleek beauty becomes seen in the city and on the highway. **BECAUSE...**

If you want to be the **proudest driver** in the neighborhood, you can be with 1954 Pontiac's exquisite styling and dramatic colors. If you want **big car prestige**, you can have it with the famous Pontiac reputation, the powerful 1954 six- or eight-cylinder L-head engines, and tasteful, luxurious appointments.

If you want **economical driving**, you can have that too with 1954 Pontiac's low price—its amazing engine efficiency, and its forthright dependability.

Whatever you look for in a car, you'll find your heart's delight in one or more of 1954 Pontiac's 31 brilliant models in six great series... *Pathfinder, Pathfinder Deluxe, Laurentian, Chieftain Special, Chieftain Deluxe* and the great new *Star Chief*.

COME IN AND SEE THESE GREAT PONTIACS

*Now On Display!*

# CENTRAL GARAGE

GLEN DAHL

VULCAN, ALTA.

## SAVE up to 50%

BY CALLING

Phone 425, Brooks, Alta. - Collect

WE ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE

**Furniture - Drapes - Upholstery**

AT A SAVINGS UP TO 50%

—Satisfaction Guaranteed or Your Money Back—

We will re-cover, remodel or build new to your own specifications any type of upholstered furniture.

We will also hand-tailor your draperies the way you like. Installation Free.

CALL COLLECT — 425 BROOKS, ALTA.

FOR FREE ESTIMATES

—Pickup and Delivery Prompt and Free—

Our Upholstering Materials such as Nylon Frieze, Wool Frieze, Tapestry, Metallic and Draperies are the best on the market.

DON'T DELAY — CALL NOW ON

**Brojnshtein Upholstery**

Phone 425

Brooks, Alta.



## Brant News

The square dance held in Brant Hall Friday evening was well attended. Nine squares with visiting squares from Blackie, High River and Vulcan which were very welcome. A good time was had by all. Ken Dolen from Calgary was our official caller. The next square dance will be held Jan. 8 on Friday evening at 8 p.m.

The Red Cross Christmas meeting was held at the home of Mrs. K. Christofferson. With 26 members and two visitors present. The president, Mrs. F. Olson opened the meeting by the secretary, Mrs. D. Schultz giving the minutes of the November meeting. The financial report was read by the treasurer, Mrs. Christofferson. The convener of the work committee Mrs. M. McKay gave a report on work turned in for the month. One pair of socks, 7 night gowns. To date this year our branch has completed 27 pair of pants, 23 nightgowns, 11 boys sweaters, 5 pair of socks and 2 quilts. Afterwards a discussion on more quilts, it was moved by Mrs. Walbauer and seconded by Mrs. Knapp that we order material for some. Three members offered their homes for quilting bees. There is also on hand cotton flannel and print for

little girls' dresses. Mrs. D. Henry reported sending out 20 cards to the sick of our district since she was appointed convener of the sick committee. The draw for the doll and wardrobe will be made at the Brant school Christmas concert, Tuesday evening, Dec. 22.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ed Auld in January. Mrs. S. Dixon won the hostess prize, donated by Mrs. Henry. After the meeting a delicious lunch was served. The servers were Mrs. Schultz, Mrs. Pence, Mrs. Stevenson and Mrs. Thompson. Following lunch an exchange of Christmas gifts took place. The Christmas concert will be held in Brant hall Tuesday evening Dec. 22.

Sunday, Dec. 20 at 1.30 in the afternoon there was a special Christmas music and service in the Brant United Church with Sunday School following.

The winners and losers, two of Brant's curling teams, celebrated at an oyster feed held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Auld last Saturday evening.

Ken Jordan, who was helping in the National elevator here, was moved to take charge of the Nat.

ional elevator at Olds while the agent there is sick.

Ken Auld is leaving Sunday for Red Deer to attend Composite High School.

Mrs. Prater and Mrs. Ed Pearson were Lethbridge Christmas shoppers on Monday.

Pop Murphy is a patient in the High River hospital.

Mrs. Kelly from Calgary was visiting her many old friends in Brant last week.

Miss Vonney Walbauer from the telephone office in High River spent a few days visiting her mother, Mrs. E. Walbauer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Prater were Calgary visitors on Thursday.

Misses Wilma Burley and Arlene Ball are home from Composite High School for the weekend.

Mrs. Sagre from Hanley, Sask. is spending the winter visiting her daughter and family, Mrs. Wm Burley.

Friends of Mrs. Ford who moved to Calgary from Brant three years ago will be sorry to hear she is confined to her bed with arthritis. She was a patient in the hospital for five weeks.

Mrs. J. Rhodes and baby daughter from Lethbridge is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. Walbauer for a few days.

S. Dixon left this week for Ham

ilton, Ont. in hopes of flying a plane back. Mr. and Mrs. B. Ball were Calgary visitors on Friday.

## CHRISTMAS JOY

### Season's Greetings

As Christmas and the New Year come again, may they find and keep you rich in happiness

## Vulcan Dry Goods

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chow

## Yuletide Greetings



TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS—

May your days be filled with notes of good cheer... for the holiday and the coming year

## C. OTTEWELL

TAILOR — DRY CLEANING

## JOY



TO YOU!

May we convey our sincerest hopes for a Cheerful, Happy Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year for you

## Fletcher's Dairy



## The Season's Greetings

AS another business year draws to a close, we extend to you our sincere good wishes for health, happiness and prosperity in the year to come.

WE desire also to tell you how much we appreciate the business you have given us and that we do value your good will.

**HUGHES and LAWRENCE**  
(Hank and Russ)

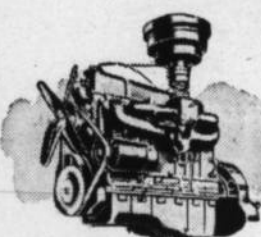
HERE THEY ARE!

CANADA'S MOST POPULAR TRUCKS



# NEW '54 CHEVROLET TRUCKS

COMPLETELY NEW—THE MOST POWERFUL, FINEST PERFORMING, BEST LOOKING ADVANCE-DESIGN TRUCK EVER BUILT!



## NEW ENGINE POWER

Greater power with four advanced valve-in-head engines. Bigger, braver Thriftmaster and Loadmaster engines now develop a new 112 horsepower. The rugged and durable Torquemaster engine develops 125 horsepower, and the Workmaster 150. This year you can get the right power for any job — giving greater efficiency and new fuel and operating economy.

## NEW ECONOMY

All four 1954 Chevrolet truck engines bring you the full benefit of high compression power. With new, even higher compression ratios, they make every drop of gas work harder to give you greater operating economy along with greatly increased horsepower and finer performance.

\*Optional extra cost. Ride Control Seat is standard on C.O.E. models, available on deluxe cab models as extra equipment.

Here's Canada's greatest truck builder's latest and greatest truck! Here's the brand-new line of Chevrolet Advance-Design trucks for 1954!

They're here to do your work for less! They're here to bring you big savings on operating and upkeep costs... to do your trucking job faster and more efficiently.

You'll find these completely new Chevrolet trucks packed with new advances and advantages you want... loaded with great new features you need! There's new power under the hoods... new comfort in the cabs... new, bigger load space in the bodies —

plus new automatic truck transmissions... new chassis ruggedness... new Advance-Design truck styling.

And that's only the beginning! There's much more that's new awaiting you in the most powerful, finest performing, best looking Advance-Design trucks ever built! There's a model that's just right for your work. So plan now to come in and get all the facts on the biggest truck news in years. Be sure to see the trucks with the most new features... the trucks with big new benefits for both owners and drivers — really new Chevrolet trucks for '54!

MOST TRUSTWORTHY TRUCKS ON ANY JOB!



A GENERAL MOTORS VALUE

## NEW ECONOMY

All four 1954 Chevrolet truck engines bring you the full benefit of high compression power. With new, even higher compression ratios, they make every drop of gas work harder to give you greater operating economy along with greatly increased horsepower and finer performance.

\*Optional extra cost. Ride Control Seat is standard on C.O.E. models, available on deluxe cab models as extra equipment.

## NEW CAB COMFORT

New Comfortmaster cab offers greater comfort, convenience and safety. New one-piece curved windshield gives greatly increased visibility. New instrument panel is easier to read and so reach. New Ride Control Seat\* offers the last word in comfort for truck drivers.

## NEW DEPENDABILITY

With increased ruggedness at vital points throughout the chassis, Chevrolet trucks for '54 offer new and even greater dependability. You'll find heavier axle shafts in 2-ton models... bigger, more durable clutches in light- and heavy-duty models... more rigid frames in all models.

## NEW BIGGER LOAD SPACE

New pickup bodies have deeper sides... are grain and sand tight for greater convenience. In addition, they're built stronger to stand up longer — and set lower to the ground to make loading and unloading easier than ever.

## NEW AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION

Here's great new ease and convenience for driving in city traffic and for door-to-door delivery service. There's no clutch pedal to push — you can drive all day without shifting! Truck Hydra-Matic transmission is offered not only on 1½- and 2-ton trucks, but on 1-ton models, too!

## NEW RUGGED APPEARANCE

Handsome new Advance-Design styling reflects the new power and ruggedness of the 1954 Chevrolet trucks. New front-end design is more massive and sturdy in appearance. New parking lights are positioned near the fender corners to indicate the full width of the truck.

SEE THE NEW 1954 CHEVROLET TRUCKS AT

# SCALES MOTORS

STANLEY SCALES

VULCAN, ALTA.





## A Glad Yuletide

IS OUR WISH FOR YOU

As Christmas and the New Year come again may they find and keep you rich in happiness.

**G. A. SALES & CO.**

Mrs. Margaret Clayton — Mrs. Lillian Lancaster



### Cordial Wishes For a Merry Christmas

During the year now drawing to a close you have been good friends and loyal customers, and at this season we wish to take this means of extending to you our sincere wishes for a

Merry Christmas  
and a  
Happy New Year



**J. S. Simpson & Son**

Plumbing — Heating — Gasfitting

Phone 58

Vulcan



Calgary Power's \$5,500,000.00 Bearsapaw project on the Bow River, 11 miles west of Calgary, showing the diversion of the river from its natural channel by the horseshoe-shaped coffer dam in the lower left-hand corner of the picture.

The whole Bow river is being forced through the area shown under the bridge-like structure. The dam and power house should be finished this winter. By next fall the project should be producing power. This is just a part of Calgary Power's five-year \$60,000,000 expansion program.



**D. E. BUEHLER**  
District Manager  
Calgary Power Ltd., Vulcan

Most Canadian families spend more on cigarettes annually than they do on health services.

Latitudinally, Newfoundland, newest of Canada's provinces, is in the same parallel as France.

### Large Expansion Program Necessary - Calgary Power

Mr. D. Buehler, Manager of Vulcan district for Calgary Power, says the best example of Calgary Power's need for expansion is right here in Vulcan and district.

There were 284 consumers of electricity in Vulcan in 1939. The number had increased to 350 by 1945. Today it has jumped to 450, or 128% of the number in 1945 and 158% of the number in 1939. This is concrete evidence of Vulcan's constant growth.

Another interesting set of figures is the amount of electricity being consumed by customers today, as compared with yesterday. In the year 1939 the total consumption of electricity by household consumers in Vulcan was 112,188 kilowatt hours, or an average of 54 kilowatt hours per customer per month. In 1952 householders used 891,009 kilowatt hours or an average of 241 kilowatt hours per customer per month, an increase to over 445% since 1939. In comparison with the number of kilowatt hours used by householders in 1931 today's use has increased to over 524%.

While there has been a general

#### SERVICE BOARD NOTES

H. S. Burns, Field Supervisor

##### Christmas Greetings

This week this column will depart a little from the usual topics to be found here. Often what you read here may seem commonplace and repetitious if, indeed, you read it at all, and we hope you do as it requires a bit of concentration to prepare and we think it helps to keep before the readers the idea of what the Service Board is trying to accomplish throughout this area.

We are endeavoring to keep up-to-date on Agricultural subjects with the co-operation of the Department of Agriculture on all branches of the work with which we are concerned locally, such as chemical weed control, water erosion of soil, grassing of roadsides, improvement of farm buildings, planting of trees, diseases of livestock, improvement of livestock, and any other subjects that concern our farm population, and that takes in about everyone, as ours is an Agricultural area.

At this time we would like to convey to all the readers of this paper and our numerous friends throughout the Vulcan County, our warmest Christmas greetings and our very best wishes for continued health and prosperity and in the new year we hope to be able to serve you better, and to become acquainted with many more whom we have not yet had the opportunity to meet.

Crankshafts Ground  
without removing the  
motor

**SPARKS' AUTO SALES**  
Phone 2042 High River



AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

With the keenest appreciation of your goodwill and your patronage during the forty years we have been in business and the hope that we will again be able to serve you well during the coming year — we send you our warmest greetings for a Merry Christmas and a Bright Prosperous New Year.

**Beaver (Alta) Lumber Ltd.**

H. T. Peard, Local Mgr.

Phone 41



### May Santa Be Good To You!

In all the exciting rush and bustle the cheer and merriment of the holiday season, let us add our sincere wish for the happiest Christmas of your life and health and prosperity in the New Year.

**Elder's Garage**

Keith Elder and Staff



ABOVE ALL OTHER THINGS IN OUR MEMORY AT THIS CHRISTMAS IS THE THOUGHT OF THE SPLENDID ASSOCIATIONS WITH FRIENDS OF THIS INSTITUTION THAT HAVE MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO ENJOY A VERY SATISFACTORY YEAR . . . PLEASE ACCEPT THE KIND WISHES OF EVERY MEMBER OF OUR ORGANIZATION FOR A JOYOUS YULETIDE AND A NEW YEAR OF HEALTH AND PROGRESS.

**CENTRAL GARAGE**

G. A. Dahl & Staff

## Merry Christmas

At the close of another year we realize how important your friendship and good will have been to our success. We appreciate the opportunity to say "Thank You" and to wish you

HAPPY NEW YEAR

And a

MERRY CHRISTMAS



**H. T. WILLARD & SON**





At this happiest season of the year we would like to express our appreciation of your patronage and extend to you our sincere wishes for a Merry, Merry Christmas and Health, Happiness and Prosperity in the New Year

## Vulcan Flour Mill

W. A. Sorger, Prop.

### Try Advocate Classifieds



As we approach this joyful season of the year we wish to take this opportunity to thank all our customers for their goodwill and patronage throughout the year and to wish everyone

A Very Merry Christmas

and a

Happy, Prosperous New Year

McDonald's Electric

—Vulcan—

## Vulcan Municipal Hospital

District No. 19

## HOSPITALIZATION CONTRACTS

Resident non-ratepayers of the Hospital District are advised that the Board has authorized the sale of HOSPITALIZATION CONTRACTS (tickets) at \$8.00. Contracts purchased now become effective on January 1, 1954.

Contracts expire on December 31st of the year of purchase.

Contract holders are entitled to receive hospitalization for themselves, DEPENDENT FAMILIES UNDER 21 YEARS, and female domestic help at \$1.00 per day for general ward service.

Interested persons are urged to purchase contracts before January 1, 1954.

THESE REGULATIONS WILL BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO.

This contract policy conforms to the general policy adopted by Municipal Hospitals throughout the Province.

Contracts may be purchased at the Hospital.

### With The District Agriculturist

Hugh Michael

#### Who We Are and What We Do

Every successful organization, whether commercial or otherwise, finds that good public relations are necessary. In other words it is good business to occasionally tell people who you are, and what you are attempting to do. I often feel that the Extension Service of the Provincial Department of Agriculture, particularly the work of the District Agriculturist is not too well understood.

Many may wonder why there is an Extension Service connected with the Provincial Department of Agriculture. If any of you have studied this question, you will no doubt know that it dates back to the British North America Act. Under this act the Dominion Government is held responsible for carrying on agricultural research. This being the reason why all experimental stations, and other institutions doing agricultural research, such as the Science Service Laboratories, are a part of the Dominion Department of Agriculture. It is the duty of the various

provinces under the B.N.A. Act to carry the findings of the research institutions to the farmer on the land. This is at least the legal basis for the existence of a Provincial Extension Service, and the employment of such people as district agriculturists. Over the years various extension programs have been developed and the district agriculturists work and the work of the Extension Service broadened until it has come to include many phases of agriculture not directly related to research.

The following list of activities, while not complete, gives some idea of the services available from your Extension Service for the asking. Agricultural Engineering: Building Construction, heating, ventilation, water and sewage systems, farm power, implement selection and adjustment. Diseases and Insects of Field Crops: Identification and control. Field Crops: Grain varieties, forage crop mixtures, their purchase and production, registered and commercial. Tree Planting: Obtaining trees and shrubs, planning farmsteads, field and roadside shelterbelts. Weeds: Identification and control—chemicals. Livestock: Assistance in secur-

ing breeding stock of Beef and Dairy Cattle. Sheep and Swine.

Veterinary Services: Organization of calfhood vaccination program. Laboratory diagnostic service with sick animals and post-mortem of cattle, sheep, poultry and fur bearing animals.

Dairy: Cow testing for dairy herd improvement, production problems.

Poultry: Flock testing, culling and banding, poultry problems.

Junior Clubs: For boys, beef and dairy cattle, swine and poultry, cereal and forage clubs.

For girls—clothing, foods, home decoration and gardening.

Schools: of Agriculture and Home Economics: Information on courses, scholarships, etc.

Farm Planning: To preserve soil fertility, prevent erosion, control weeds, and increase revenues.

Farm Labour: General.

Home Economics: Practical, general and specific information on nutrition, clothing, home planning, or anything associated with home making.

I hope that the above information will explain, why we are, who we are, and what we are trying to do. How about coming up and having a visit?

Baby carriages were made in Canada as early as 1885.



To All Our Friends and Customers of Town and District we extend our warmest greetings  
May the holiday season be one of joy and happiness in your home and the new year bring health and happiness to you and yours

## Fleming's Groceteria

—Vulcan—

NOW ON DISPLAY!



It's Brimming with Beauty!

The Bel Air 4-door sedan. With 13 models in 3 series, Chevrolet offers the widest choice in the low-priced field.

# New 1954 Chevrolet

More things more people want, that's why  
*More People Buy Chevrolets Than Any Other Car!*

Come see the most beautiful, most powerful Chevrolet ever built...the new car that combines great new performance with money-saving gas mileage!

This is what you're going to find when you come in to check over this new '54 Chevrolet: In every way, Chevrolet now brings you even more of the things you want.

More beauty with brilliant new styling in Body by Fisher and bright new color harmonies outside and inside the car.

More power and finer performance with new high-compression engine power in all models.

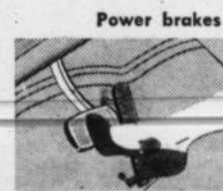
More comforts and conveniences, including the richest and most luxurious interiors

in Chevrolet history, and such new optional features as automatic electric window and seat controls.

And, thanks to advanced Chevrolet engineering, all this with new economy, too.

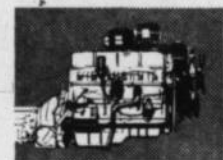
The fact is, you'll find that no other car offers so many things you want at such low cost.

The colorful, new 1954 models are ready for your inspection. Stop in and take a good look at the best-looking Chevrolet you ever saw...and your best buy for 1954!



#### Power brakes for easier stops

Chevrolet in the low-priced field brings you another great advance in driving ease—Power Brakes. Stopping is almost unbelievably easy and convenient—just a swing of your foot from accelerator to brake pedal! Optional at extra cost on all models.



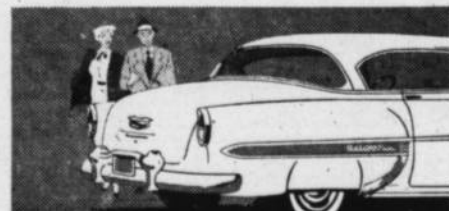
#### Thrifty new power in all models

Now Powerglide models offer the most powerful Chevrolet engine ever—the "Blue-Flame 125". Gearshift models have the advanced, more powerful "Blue-Flame 115". Both high-compression engines bring quieter, smoother and finer performance with important gas savings!



#### New, automatic window and seat controls

Now, at the touch of a button, front windows are electrically raised or lowered. Touch another conveniently placed control to move the front seat up and forward or down and back into your most comfortable position. Optional on Bel Air and "Two-Ten" models at extra cost.



#### New styling that will stay new

There's a new, lower, smarter look about this new 1954 Chevrolet. The new front-end and rear-end designs are even cleaner and more distinctive. Massive new bumpers extend even farther around the fenders. All around the car, new styling presents Fisher Body at its beautiful best.

#### New interior richness

Here's the kind of quality you'd expect to find only in high-priced cars. Fine new upholstery fabrics with a more liberal use of durable, beautiful vinyl trim. New color treatments in harmony with the brilliant new exterior colors. Built-in arm rests on all Bel Air models.



#### New, lower price on Power Steering

Chevrolet Power Steering substantially reduced in price! That's good news to everyone. Chevrolet Power Steering does 80% of the work to give easy, sure control. It's optional on all models at extra cost.



#### New, wider choice of Powerglide models

Now, Powerglide automatic transmission is available on all models. Powerglide automatic transmission gives instant response and positive acceleration. Teamed with the "Blue-Flame 125" engine, it's optional at extra cost.

POWERED FOR PERFORMANCE  
ENGINEERED FOR ECONOMY!



A GENERAL MOTORS VALUE

C-754A

See the New 1954 Chevrolet at  
**SCALES MOTORS**  
STANLEY SCALES VULCAN, ALTA.





The holiday season brings an opportunity to thank our many customers and friends for their patronage during the past year and to wish all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

## Vulcan Furniture

"The Home of Good Furniture" F. Gorbous, Prop. Phone 53



## GREETINGS

Friends & Neighbors

Ring out, bells of Christmastide—ring out a message of hope and of good will to all men. For this is a season of hope—as long as men turn to the age old teachings of the Prince of Peace and seek gain not in taking but in giving and brotherhood... just so long can mankind hope for a better future.

Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season

## ROGER'S MEAT MARKET

In the Red & White Store  
—ROGER MIDDLETON—

## District News

### BRANT

Preparations have started for our new curling rink which the curling club hope to start building in the spring. Nine truck loads of lumber was hauled in last week from a mill the other side of Olds. This work is being done voluntarily by our local trucks. Two more left this weekend for more lumber.

The United church has been moved onto a new cement foundation and another building moved in and added to this. The other building will be used for a recreation room and Sunday school. Church at present is held in the community hall. It is hoped that the Church will be ready for use in the not too distant future.

The dance at Ensign last week was well attended and everyone had a good time.

Santa Claus will be expected in the Brant Hall Tuesday evening of this week, the occasion being the Brant school concert.

The parents association meeting was held in the Brant Hall Monday evening. It was disappointing so few parents turned out.

The New Years Dance will be held in the Brant Hall Dec. 31.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pace were Calgary visitors on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Thompson were visiting their daughter and family Mrs. W. E. Tudor of Carleton Place.

Mac Sinden from Outlook, Sask. is spending a week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Burley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordie Thompson spent Saturday visiting in Lethbridge and Diamond City.

The first meeting of Girl Guides will be held in the Brant Hall Thursday afternoon, Jan. 7. Mrs. Howett from Ensign as leader, her assistant will be Mrs. McAllister from Brant. All young girls interested please attend this meeting.

The Boy Scouts are to organize Tuesday evening at seven o'clock Mr. Charlie Rhodes as leader. He hopes to have someone assist him in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes were Calgary visitors on Friday.

J. Rhodes spent four days in Calgary this week attending the Alberta Federation of Agriculture's annual convention.

Mrs. McBrien was a Lethbridge visitor on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham and Janet attended the banquet and square dance held in Lethbridge Friday evening.

Gordon Prusky attended the banquet and square dance held in Lethbridge Friday evening.

The Wheat Pool show and a condensed report by Vic Bertrand

of the recent Pool convention was well attended and enjoyed.

Mrs. Sid Spokes spent a few days in the Vulcan hospital, a victim of the flu.

We have heard of rare days in June but "What is so rare as a day in December 1953" type.

We are very pleased to hear that Gordon Boyd expects to be home from the hospital in time for Christmas and we wish him a complete recovery.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

### MILO

Weekend visitors at the Roy Page home were Mr. and Mrs. Watwood from Carmangay.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Carson are spending the weekend visiting Dr. and Mrs. Carson in Calgary.

Jean Thomson who is nursing at Vanderhoof, B.C. is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomson Sr.

Also spending holidays at home is Joyce Dishaw who is attending University of Alberta.

Mr. and Mrs. George Vennesland and grandson Darcy will spend Christmas holidays in Calgary with their daughter Mrs. A. Turlock.

The following teachers will be away for the festive season: Miss H. Hedin will holiday at Laverne, Sask.; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wheeler at Calgary; Miss Befus at Calgary and Mrs. W. McCormick and Caroline at Vauxhall.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Hellevang will visit Judy at the Red Cross Hospital in Calgary and then continue with their family to spend Christmas with Mrs. Hellevang's parents in Acme.

Coleen Phillips will spend the holiday weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Phillips.

Jim Umscheid and Bill Shields were Calgary visitors Friday.

Haldor and Helen Thompson will spend Christmas with the J. Hunter family at Ensign.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Dishaw, Joyce and Betty left Wednesday to spend Christmas with Mr. Dishaw's mother at Conquest, Sask.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Beckner and family will have Christmas with the Flemings of the Eastway district. Larry Fleming of Calgary will also be home with his folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Peterson and family will visit at Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Orville Speare and family of Cayley.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Phillips will entertain Mr. Allen Phillips and family and Mrs. Mackie of Arrowwood on Christmas Day.

Mrs. Museum of Calgary will be a holiday guest of her daughter, Mrs. Bob Bertrand and family.

Spending Christmas with Will and Gladys Bittorf will be Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bittorf and family of Calgary.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Umscheid Friday were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Williams of Cluny.

Mr. and Mrs. John Umscheid of Calgary and family will visit at the Clarence Umscheid home on Christmas Eve.

News that has been a little delayed is that Clarence Umscheid delivered the first load of wheat to the new Alberta Pool Elevator.

P. Desharnais of Calgary will spend Christmas with his brother and family.

Marjorie Deitz who is nursing at Hardisty will be home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Deitz.

On Dec. 27 Rev. J. S. Clarke of Vulcan will conduct a communion service at Milo church at 7:30 p. m. All will be welcome.

To each and every reader may I extend the warmest Christmas greetings.

HAPPY ILLUSION?

"No", I said. I will not tell him. If it develops that he must be told you can do it before he goes away to College.

"Him" is our son and the conversation was between my husband and myself.

It would seem the happy illusion which has existed in our home the past nine happy Christmases is developing into a rather awkward situation.

Terry will be ten years old the end of March.

The last three Decembers when Santa starts chuckling and chatting with the children via the airwaves; when we visit department store Santas to no end; when Santa bursts in at our local Christmas tree gathering with a slightly familiar voice, I wait for my son to say, "Aw shucks Mom, I know who Santa really is."

So What! I just wait, that's all. Last January Terry asked "Mom why don't you and daddy ever give me anything for Christmas?"

When I had visions of the egg cheques I had saved so Santa could bring a wrist watch and a generator for the bicycle.

Last June we promised the youngster a new wagon if he passed and he did. We hauled out the

mail-order catalogue with one thing uppermost in our minds—"Thrifty." But our little darling wanted a dual-wheeled stock-racked affair that ran into quite a sum. "But son, we can't afford to pay so much."

Finally, resigning himself to the fact that he was blessed with poor but honest parents, he said, "Oh well, never mind. Let it go. I'll get one from Santa."

Whew—More egg cheques. This year Santa has bins of wheat which he can't sell. Mrs. Santa's pullets can't seem to get out of low gear, and like I say the happy illusion is fast developing into a problem.

For instance, there is the problem of guns. Terry wants a BB gun.

I try to explain that he is not old enough to handle a BB gun wisely, and what do I get. "Well, maybe Santa thinks I'm old enough, so he might bring it."

"Tell the truth, son. Only cowards lie," I tell my boy.

When the realization finally dawns at this late stage will the happy illusion seem to have been a good joke or a lie?

I wonder. Because I am beginning to feel more like a liar each year as we go on with the pretense.

And yet Christmas won't be the same when Santa stops calling and Mom and Dad take over.

Then we will realize how fleeting are the years of childhood, because to outgrow Santa is surely a definite stage in growing up.

—Mrs. Clara Spokes, Queenstown.

COMMERCIAL FISHING DATES ARE RELEASED

Opening dates for commercial fishing in Alberta lakes have been announced by the provincial department of lands and forests.

Lakes north of township No. 65 opened December 1 while those in other parts of the province are slated to open next week.

Two Southern Alberta lakes, McGregor and Newell Lakes, come under special arrangement and their opening date is set for January 4.

Total catch allowed during the winter season is 120,000 whitefish for McGregor Lake and 200,000 whitefish for Newell Lake.

## Merry Christmas

We take this opportunity to extend to the people of Milo and district our appreciation of their patronage and to wish everyone a

VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND A HAPPY, PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

Black's Red and White Store  
MILO, ALTA.



VULCAN ARMOURIES

Thurs., Dec. 31st, 1953

MUSIC BY

THE WHEAT KINGS

NOVELTIES — BALLOONS — NOISEMAKERS

Admission \$1.00 per person

SPONSORED BY VULCAN B.P.O. ELKS

## NOTICE

Because of the institution of the five-day week throughout the system, the Vulcan office will be closed to the public all day Saturday, effective on and after January 2nd, 1954.

Alberta Government Telephones

"Tis the Season  
of Good Cheer"



WE WISH YOU A GOOD OLD-FASHIONED MERRY CHRISTMAS. MAY YOUR HOME ECHO WITH MERRY WARMTH OF LAUGHTER AND THE HEARTY RING OF GAIETY. MAY THE COMING YEAR BRING YOU EVERY MEASURE OF JOY AND PROSPERITY.

## SCALES MOTORS

STAN SCALES AND STAFF



May Christmas  
Bring You Joy and  
Happiness  
and the  
New Year a  
Larger Measure  
of Prosperity.

Royal Cafe

VULCAN



We Know  
what we want  
to say...

but somehow we lack the right words to make our meaning exactly clear... We want to convey to you how we feel about you at this time of the year, and the best we can do is rely on that ancient but sincere greeting...

Merry Christmas  
Happy New Year

Mac's Meat Market

- VULCAN -



We wish you  
Hearty Good Wishes  
for your dreams  
to come true  
this Christmas  
and New Year



MERRY CHRISTMAS

**Club Billiard Parlour and  
Barber Shop**

O. A. CRAIG

MAX CRAWFORD

## District News

### EASTWAY

The Christmas program was held Sunday afternoon at the hall and was well attended and enjoyed by all. Lunch was served following the program.

The Junior FUA are holding a dance Monday, Dec. 28 in the Union Jack Centre, with music by Fraser's Orchestra.

Mel and Lena Burgess spent Friday and Saturday in Calgary at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Crombie.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Mitchell were visitors at their home in the district last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Willard have moved into their new home and were connected with the Calgary

Power on Monday.

Several in the district attended the Christmas cantata held at Mossleigh on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Sultor and Pat Laughlin were Calgary visitors on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Laycraft were High River visitors on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Berquist and Dallas of Carseland were visitors at the Washburn home on Sunday.

### County Meeting

(Continued from Front Page)

County met in the office on Wednesday evening, Dec. 16, and discussed in detail the operation of the road equipment. Considerable discussion was held over the operation of the crusher and it was decided to continue with graveling program as long as weather permits.

The Committee made arrangements to engage S. Rowland and N. Garvin to work in the shop during the winter months, and also to employ other County employees at laboring where work is needed.

At the County Council meeting held on December 18th, County Councillors heard reports from the School and Municipal Committees and passed the monthly accounts.

The Council also dealt with a letter from Mrs. Louise Jackson

asking for damages on account of flooding to her land last spring. It was decided that a committee investigate the claim and report to

the next meeting.

A letter from S. R. Graham, Brant, claiming damages and wages for erecting a fence along his land, was considered. The account for wages amounting to \$54.00 was passed for payment and the damage claim of \$250 was not allowed. It was also decided to inform Mr. Graham that the balance of his fence will be erected as soon as possible on as nearly a correct fence-line as the engineer can determine.

Councillors discussed the matter of the new area and were advised that unofficial information is to the effect that there will be 11 councillors in the new County next year. One new councillor would be elected in the Lomond area and one in the Mossleigh area, with the other nine councillors retaining their original divisions. Nomination for the election of councillors will be held at the annual meeting on February 20, 1954.

In discussing the matter of the new area, the necessity of a new general assessment of the county was stressed and it was decided to proceed with this as soon after the first of the year as possible.

It was moved by Mr. Carlson and carried that the County advertise for an Assessor in the Calgary, Edmonton and Lethbridge papers.

The Committee authorized the transfer of Lots 1 and 2, to the Queenstown Community Hall Association in return for Lots 8 and 9.

A letter protesting the closing of a road between Section 32-13-24-4 and Section 5-14-24-4 was read to the council and the vote on the by-law to close this road was defeated.

The matter of a nuisance ground for the Kirkcaldy area was discussed and it was moved and carried that Mr. Haga make arrangements to obtain a suitable site.

## Holiday Food Specials

THAT MAKE

### THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS

Libby's Tomato Juice, 48 oz.	2 for 77¢
R. & W. Cream Corn, choice, 20 oz.	2 for 35¢
Shrimp, Gulf Pearl, small, wet, 5 oz.	59¢
Crabmeat, Queen Charlotte, 6 1/2 oz.	71¢
Salmon, Gold Seal Sockeye 1 1/2's	2 for 79¢
Libby's Mince meat, 28 oz.	51¢
Sweet Gherkins, 12 oz. jar	51¢
Welch's Grape Juice, 32 oz.	53¢
Dole's Fruit Cocktail, 28 oz.	2 for 99¢
Ingersol Baby Roll Cheese, 1's	53¢
Weston's Scotch Shortbread, 12 oz.	53¢

AVOCADOS - PARSLEY - RADISHES - GREEN  
ONIONS - SWEET SPUDS - CELERY - LETTUCE  
TOMATOES

CAN-O-POP — FOUR FLAVORS

Orange - Grape - Root Beer - Black Cherry

—Get a carton of 6—

**RED & WHITE**  
SAVES YOU MONEY EVERY DAY

Phone 3 FULTON BROS. Vulcan



One of the real joys of Yuletide is the opportunity to put aside the routine and customs of everyday business and extend to you the season's Greetings.

*All Best Wishes For a Merry  
Christmas*

and a

*Happy Prosperous New Year*

**FULTON BROS.**

Red & White Store

—Vulcan—

## Season's Greetings

MAY ALL my customers and friends enjoy a Joyous  
Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

**GEO. E. HILL**

Accounting — Insurance — Income Tax Returns

## Season's Greetings

We welcome the opportunity  
the Holiday Season offers to express  
our appreciation of the patronage  
and good will of our friends.  
A Merry Christmas to you and yours  
and every good wish for  
a Happy and Prosperous New Year

**VULCAN 5c to \$1.00 SHOP**

"Where REGULAR prices are always BARGAIN prices"  
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Shrigley, Prop. Phone 252



Not because of custom long established of extending greetings at the holiday season, but because of sincerity of our appreciation of your kindly friendships and loyal patronage, we are prompted by the spirit of the season to wish you a good old-fashioned Merry Christmas.

**Central Meat Market**

S. H. H. Joiner and Staff



Peace and good cheer sit at  
your fireside this Christmas!  
May your loved ones surround you and your home and heart be graced with the deep happiness of Christmastide — the most joyous time of year.

**PETE McASKILE & SONS**

MEN'S AND BOY'S WEAR

## 'Tis the Season to be Jolly

We wish you a good Old-fashioned Merry Christmas

May your home echo with the merry warmth of laughter and the hearty ring of gaiety.

May the coming year bring you every measure of health, happiness and prosperity.

Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year



Bill Richardson — Lawrence Richardson

Cliff Gould

Elwood Myers — Tom Bogner

George Richardson

Bob Petrosky — Herb Koch

Phil Paulson

Jim Stuart — Sam McLeod

Derrick Panter — Harold DeJong

**RICHARDSON AND GOULD LTD.**  
PHONE 19 DODGE DE SOTO VULCAN  
*What we sell we service*





## OPEN NEXT WEEK Elder's Garage

All Gasoline Pumps in Vulcan will close at 6:15 p.m. on week-days, except Saturdays, and will remain closed on Wednesday afternoons, Sundays and holidays, with the exception of the service station named above, which will remain open until 8:00 p.m. every day for one week and will be open from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. on Sunday and holidays, commencing

Open Sunday, Dec. 27

**White Rose Service**  
Open Sunday, Jan. 3



## Deep Down In Our Hearts . . .

we know of no song, no poem, no truer word to express our sentiments than this sincere greeting.

"Merry Christmas -  
and God Bless You"

## Morrison's Service

Massey-Harris-Ferguson Ltd. Dealers  
Vulcan, Alta.



TO ALL OUR FRIENDS  
A JOYOUS  
CHRISTMAS SEASON AND  
A HAPPY NEW YEAR

**VULCAN  
ELECTRIC CO.**

RADIO SERVICE PHONE 127 CONTRACTING  
GENERAL ELECTRIC & FRIGIDAIRE APPLIANCES

## Edmonton Report

By Donald F. Smith  
Special Correspondent

EDMONTON: Representatives of Alberta's four counties and 53 municipal districts put their heads together in Edmonton recently at the annual convention of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts. It was the organization's 45th convention.

The more than 600 delegates and visitors attending witnessed the re-election of C. P. Hayes of Strathmore, as president, while A. B. Haastad, of Bentley was re-elected vice-president. J. F. Smith of Fairview was elected a director and continuing directors are G. W. Moyer, Fort Saskatchewan and J. M. McKay, Brant.

Three of the convention's four main addresses were delivered by provincial officials, including Municipal Affairs Minister C. E. Gerhart, Highways Minister Gordon Taylor and J. W. Judge, deputy municipal affairs minister.

Mr. Taylor warned the municipal districts to stay away from politics when allocating road work sponsored by provincial government grants. He told councillors to view the district as a single unit rather than individual electoral districts. Co-operation has been good, the minister said, but where the department has met with refusal to meet specifications, grants were cut off.

"We are not using provincial grant money for the re-election of any council," he emphasized.

He explained that the department seeks first the establishment of good district roads and toward this end 40 percent of the grant money must be used to build these highways. Ten percent can be spent on maintenance and the remainder on local roads.

President Hayes, in his report to the convention, pointed out that while many councillors could recall when their chief duty was to supervise a few days of statutory labor with a two-horse team and slip, things have changed and the municipal district government now is expected "to deal with very many complex and acute problems." At the same time, he said, the pioneer days were the keystone of the modern system of rural municipal government.

The councillors' decisions, Mr. Hayes said, often are vital to the financial as well as the welfare interests of the municipality and its residents. He believes it is the duty of council to extend its decisions beyond the "boundaries of administration and to initiate and support any scheme or policy which will tend to benefit residents in matters of health and their economic welfare."

The president warned against creating heavy debts during prosperous years, on which interest and repayments must be made even if adverse conditions strike in future years.

He said: "I would like to ment-

## Library Notes

The Vulcan and District Public Library has now moved to its new location in the old town office, next to the Red & White Store.

Library hours are from 2 to 4 on Tuesday and Saturday afternoons and 7 to 9 Saturday evenings. The library is also open from 4 to 5 o'clock every other afternoon for the accommodation of school children. Mrs. R. I. Gold is the librarian.

Have you the library habit? If not, why not start now and avail yourself of the opportunity of reading some of the new books, as well as the old. Besides the new books recently purchased, there are over 3,000 others from which to choose.

Listed here are a few of the book for adults: A. J. Cronin's latest, "Beyond This Place." Emily Carr's "The Heart of the Peacock." Three books by Lloyd C. Douglas: "White Banners," "Time to Remember," and "Disputed Passage." Charles Lindbergh's "Spirit of St. Louis." Bruce Hutchinson's "The Fraser," and Pearl S. Buck's latest "Come My Beloved."

For high school age: "Grass Beyond the Mountain," by Richard P. Hobson Jr. and "Green Grass of Wyoming" by Mary O'Hara, author of "My Friend Flicka."

Special attention has been given to selecting suitable books for pre-school age and for ages 5 to 8, 9 to 10 and 10 to 12.

Books will be listed in this column from time to time and for further information you are asked to call at the library.

ion a word of warning to our members at this time regarding the mortgaging of their future. This applies not only to municipal financing but also to the individual. It is interesting to note that municipal districts have until now refrained from committing themselves to large capital borrowings.

The impact of adverse conditions can undoubtedly be minimized if local government authorities are unhampered with interest and refunding payments on a debt created during past prosperous years.

Possibly the fact that municipal districts have been able to keep capital spending down accounts for the absence of resolutions calling for more government aid in the way of financial grants for a wide variety of things, such as have been noted at the conventions of the urban centres.

The increasing adoption of 99-foot road allowance for 24-foot roads, resulted in passage of a resolution which would require the erection of telephone and power poles and other obstructions at least 51 feet from the centre line of municipal roads. The resolution points out that a uniform policy is needed, which will cause less inconvenience to farmers, municipalities and utility companies should road widening become necessary.

## Carmangay News Lost

The Carmangay news, mailed from that town Monday afternoon, has apparently been lost in the mails this week. It would normally have reached Vulcan Tuesday noon, but did not arrive on that train, nor on the train from the south Tuesday night. As the Advocate was scheduled to be published Wednesday morning, we are forced to do without the Carmangay news this week.

## CHINOOK WHEAT FOR SEED IS BEING DEPLETED

Farmers who wish to secure some of the new sawfly-resistant wheat, Chinook, are advised to place their orders right away. It is estimated that only 200,000 bushels of this wheat are in existence of which 63,000 bushels are in Alberta. The demand has been brisk and already the supply in Saskatchewan has been depleted and orders from that province are being sent to Alberta. Names of growers who have Chinook for sale may be obtained by writing to the Lethbridge experimental station. The seed is sold for about \$3.50 a bushel sealed and bagged.

Wash day item: There were 104,322,096 clothes pins made in Canada during 1951, latest year for which figures are available.



The Holiday Season brings to us a keener appreciation of old associations and the value of new friendships. In this spirit we hope that you all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

## Roy (Dusty) Walker

—Elephant Brand Fertilizer—  
Office Phone 231 — P.O. Box 8 — Res. Phone 105



## Greetings!

Once again we consider it a privilege and a pleasure to extend to you and yours our Good Wishes for your Happiness this season and our appreciation of your patronage.

May Your Christmas Be A Merry One, And  
The New Year The Happiest Yet!

## COLLIER HARDWARE

Carmangay, Alta.



• WE WISH TO EXTEND THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS AND EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION OF YOUR PATRONAGE DURING THE PAST TWELVE MONTHS.

## Carmangay Motor Co.

Carmangay, Alta.



## ERRETT KING, Phm. B.

DRUGGIST and STATIONER

Phone 102

Vulcan



## A CUSTOMER AND FRIENDS . . .

Mean more to this institution than the mere exchange of goods for dollars . . . We appreciate our customers - they are our Friends - and we wish them a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and we resolve now to make our service worth more and more to you as the days and months go by.

## Simon's Food Market

—Vulcan—



Wishing you one and all  
and a

a Very Merry Christmas  
Happy, Prosperous New Year

## Wheat Centre Motors

Norm Pettie & Staff

CARMANGAY CURLING CLUB DANCE

IN THE CARMANGAY COMMUNITY HALL

NEW YEAR'S NIGHT, JANUARY 1st

GOOD MUSIC

EVERYONE WELCOME



# VULCAN THEATRE

Finest projection and sound equipment in any town in Alberta

**Thurs., Fri. Sat., Dec. 24-25-26**

One Show Thurs. and Fri. — 8:15 p.m.  
Two Shows Saturday at 7:30 & 9:30  
Matinee Saturday at 2:30

## "Blowing Wild"

Gary Cooper

Ruth Roman

Barbara Stanwyck

Anthony Quinn

Love—ambition and violence in the oilfields of Mexico  
COLOR CARTOONS: "HUSH MY MOUSE" AND "ORANGE BLOSSOMS FOR VIOLET"

Latest News of The Day

**Mon. Tues. Wed., Dec. 28-29-30**

One show nightly at 8:15 p.m.

## "Something For The Birds"

Comedy

Victor Mature

Edmund Gwenn

Patricia Neal

Larry Keating

Much ado about nothing. Light holiday entertainment that is more fun than a barrel of moneys.

Sportlight "Aqua Champs"

Featurette "Escape To Freedom"

Disney Cartoon "How To Dance"

**Thurs. Fri. Sat., Dec. 31, Jan 1-2**

One Show Thurs. and Fri. — 8:15 p.m.

Two Shows Saturday at 7:30 & 9:30

Matinee Saturday at 2:30

## "Plunder Of The Sun"

Glenn Ford

Patricia Medina

Diana Lynn

Francis L. Sullivan

Thrill packed intrigue as a devil may care American, matches wits with a beautiful girl, seeking treasure in the land that time forgot.

—ALSO—

Featurette "A Laugh A Day"

Novelty "Animals Have All The Fun"

Cartoon "Little Red Rodent Hood"

Latest News of the Day

**Mon. Tues. Wed., Jan 4-5-6**

One show nightly at 8:15 p.m.

## "Pick Up On South Street"

Richard Widmark

NThelma Ritter

Jean Peters

Richard Kiley

A gun blazing drama —throbbing with raw emotions. An exciting story of intrigue and counterplot, suspense and adventure.

Color Cartoon "Hero For A Day"

Featurette "Pardon My Wrench"

Disney Cartoon "Pluto's Heartrob"

**Thurs. Fri. Sat., Jan. 7-8-9**

One Show Thurs. and Fri. — 8:15 p.m.

Two shows Saturday at 7:30 & 9:30

Matinee Saturday — 2:30

## "Smoky"

In Technicolor

(Family)

### Brief Items of Local Interest

Mrs. Frieda McRoberts, Mrs. Kathleen Doeling and daughter, Linda, of Edmonton left the first of the week for Wisconsin and other points, where they will spend the holiday season.

Friends of Rev. Fr. L. Connolly, recently appointed pastor of St. Andrew's church, extend to him their sympathy in the death of his father, in Calgary, on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fulton and Lynell, and Miss Margaret Hanson will spend Christmas with relatives in Calgary.

David McIntyre left Sunday evening for Calgary where he boarded a plane Monday for Vancouver B.C., where he will spend Christmas at the home of his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McIntyre. Mr. McIntyre plans on going on to Seattle, Wash. and to California before returning home.

Mrs. G. Robson of Red Deer is a guest for a few days at the home of her son, C. R. Robson and Mrs. Robson.

Mrs. Margaret Dobbs will spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Frances Dobbs in Lethbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Russ Lawrence will motor to Calgary to spend Christmas with the latter's mother, Mrs. Eunice Phillips.

Jim Shortt of Edmonton is spending the holidays with Mrs. Shortt and their family here.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Lloyd motored to Missoula, Mont. at the week end and were accompanied home by their daughter, Marlene, who is a student there.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bell will spend Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Bell at Waterton Lakes.

Jerry LaRoche, who is attending the University of Alberta this year is spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. LaRoche.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Mensinger of Coutts, Alta. will spend the holidays at the F. J. Mensinger and Don Buehler homes.

Visitors at the G. E. Clayton home over the Christmas holiday will be Mr. and Mrs. Harry Holmes of Coleman and Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCartney of Calgary.

Joan and Allan Thomas of Red Deer are spending the holidays at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Del Thomas.

Mrs. Cecil Watson and children of Drumheller are guests at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. Maude Hyslop for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Scales were recent business visitors to Calgary. Mr. and Mrs. John Hanna spent Saturday in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Campbell will spend Christmas Day at the Charlie Campbell home at Barony.

Lt. Lyle Sales of Edmonton is spending the holidays with his wife and children here.

Howard Marcellus spent the weekend at the Leo Spanke home and with Mrs. Marcellus and children have left to take up residence in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Buehler and Sharon accompanied by Helen Hunter were recent Calgary visitors.

H. W. Burkell, Chief Inspector of Theatres for the province, was a recent Vulcan visitor discussing plans for the drive-in theatre to be built here in the spring.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Woodward of Calgary will spend the Christmas weekend at the Merv McIntyre home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Neville, Lethbridge and Connie will spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Kettleton in Calgary.

The Misses Betty Hagg, Ellen Loose and Marilyn Scales, all students at Mount Royal college, Calgary, are spending the holidays at their respective homes here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Rutberg and family will spend Christmas Day in Calgary where they will be with their son and brother, Gerald, who is a patient in the Jr. Red Cross hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Monty Findlay were Lethbridge visitors on Saturday.

Don Mitchell of Toronto, Ont. is spending the holidays at his home here.

Miss Gloria Findlay of Cardston will spend the holidays at the home of her parents.

Miss Edith Boose of Turner Valley is spending the holidays with her mother and aunt, Mrs. Mary Boose and Miss C. Rinehart.

Ralph Buehler of Red Deer will spend the holidays at his home here.

Mrs. R. J. Taylor of Flagstone, B. C., who has been visiting at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Clarkson and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Clarkson, has left to visit relatives at Lethbridge and will then go on to Cranbrook, B. C.

The names Brian Douglas were given to the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Buehler on Sunday, Dec. 20 in the baptismal ceremony at Bethel Lutheran Church.

Attention Lionettes: There will not be a Lionette meeting in December.

### New Year's Eve DANCE

—at—  
**BRANT**

**Thurs., Dec. 31**

Novelties - Supper  
Popular Price

### Xmas Nite DANCE

—at—  
**CHAMPION**

**Friday, Dec 25th**

—Music By—  
**Fraser's Orchestra**

### New Year's Eve DANCE

—at—  
**CHAMPION**

**Thurs., Dec 31st**

—Music By—  
**The Night Hawks**



Goodwill and Happiness  
To All

We extend to you our sincere appreciation of your support and goodwill and our heartfelt good wishes to you and yours at this festive season. May the New Year be a Happy and Prosperous one for you.

—OWNERS—

Jack Metcalf and Floyd Natrass

## Robinson Stores

(Independently Owned and Operated)

Phone 25

Vulcan



Season's  
Greetings



Nearly twenty centuries have passed since men were asked to lift up their hearts and follow in the footsteps of the Christmas Child. The simple pastoral life of those days has long gone, replaced by a complex industrial civilization. Yet, mankind on Christmas, still turns to the lessons of the first Christmas to seek peace within its hearts. Jesus still bids us "Love ye one another"

## Economy Food Stores

Chas. A. Northcott  
and Staff

## Betty Ann Shoppe

Mrs. Uretta McIver, Manageress  
Mrs. Ruby Johnston



### Prescription for Christmas

Mix kindness and smiles with a little innocent fun. Greet friends and neighbors—remember they are the best wealth in life. Have faith in the future and contribute to its betterment through patience with, and understanding of, your fellowman. Taken as prescribed, the benefits will last throughout the year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS to you all and a NEW YEAR filled with HAPPINESS and PROSPERITY

## Mitchell's Drug Store

John Mitchell, Phm. B. Prop.

Reckitt Remedies

"Prescriptions A Specialty"



# United Church of Canada

- Vulcan -

## Special Carol Service

Sunday, December 27th - 11 a.m.

## New Year's Watch Night Service

December, 31st - 11 p.m. to 12:05 a.m.

Lunch will be served in the Social Room of the Church from 9:30 to 11 p.m., when Reverend and Mrs. Clarke will be at home to all who attend.

The Church of the Open Door



## The Vulcan Church of Christ

wishes you  
A BLESSED  
CHRISTMAS  
and a  
FRUITFUL NEW  
YEAR

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; the government shall be upon His shoulders; and His name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father Prince of Peace.

**THIS SUNDAY**  
11 a.m. Sermon, "I Will Resolve."  
Solos: Mrs. Gordon Gardner and Miss Betty Bond of Hanna.  
7:30 p.m. Sermon, "I Didn't Resolve."  
Resolve to Attend Church Regularly

Of Course You're Welcome



## Season's Greetings

We always look forward to this time of year when we have the opportunity to wish you all

A Merry Christmas  
A Happy New Year

and to thank you sincerely for your appreciated patronage

**E. N. Nelson**  
Your  
Imperial Oil Dealer

**Ed's Repair Shop**  
Ed Nelson  
Emil Olsen

## Red Cross News

Weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Rushfeldt were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Colson of Calgary.

Arthur White of Calgary spent the weekend at the home of Miller White.

Mrs. A. A. Giles, Mrs. Neil Giles and Mrs. W. Giles motored to Granum on Monday afternoon to attend a shower given in honor of Miss Murial Ostrom.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Fulton and son Owen, Mrs. Wesley Fulton and son Jackie were at Calgary on Sunday to visit Wesley at the General Hospital.

Ross Giles returned home on Saturday from Vermillion.

We are glad to report that Mr. A. A. Giles has returned home from the General Hospital in Calgary. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

Calgary visitors last week were Mr. and Mrs. Alva Love, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cutforth and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rushfeldt, Mr. and Mrs. George Todd, Roy Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Jacobson and Clara.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kehr has returned home after a wonderful trip spent in points of U.S.A.

The present rate is three cents for the first ounce and one cent for each additional ounce.

The drop letter rate, which has applied only on city and town deliveries, will be extended to rural routes within each postal area. The extension of the drop letter rate will mean there will be no charge from the present rates for such mailings.

Mr. Abbott announced that, when the new rates come into effect, all first-class mail will be carried by air if that will speed up delivery.

**FRANK McNIVEN**  
AUCTIONEER  
Licence No. 33-51-52  
LICENSED AND BONDED  
Phone 907, Blackie

## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Sincerest holiday wishes to cordially greet you and say "Especially on Christmas Day."

To our friends and neighbors of Champion, Vulcan and Carmangay. For Christmas 1953 and for the coming year 1954.

—Walter and Shirley Griffin, Champion.

## Season's Greetings

from the

**ELNA**

Sewing Centre

Grace Hughes



## Season's Greetings

to all our customers and friends.

As another year draws to a close we want to express our appreciation of your patronage and wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year

## R. H. WALKER White Rose Service Station

## SCIENTIFIC SWEDISH MASSAGE REMEDIAL EXERCISES

MONDAY TO SATURDAY WEEKLY

Office in Imperial Hotel Block, Vulcan

Telephone 340

Hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**EDWARD J. CARON**



To EVERY ONE of you we extend our appreciation of your patronage and our very best wishes for a Happy Holiday Season.

**MARBLE**  
COFFEE SHOP  
Vulcan



We welcome this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of your patronage during the time we have been in Vulcan and of extending to you and yours our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

**Vulcan Machine Shop**  
R. W. Parker





AS THE year 1953 draws to a close we take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of your patronage during the time we have been in business in Vulcan. MAY YOU and yours enjoy a Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous, Happy 1954.

## J. S. Wiersma & Son

Cement and Brick Work  
—Vulcan—



MAY THE  
CHRISTMAS SEASON

find you rich in life's treasures,

Health and Happiness

and the

NEW YEAR

bring increasing stores of

FRIENDSHIP, PEACE AND GOODWILL

**Vulcan Branch No. 21  
Canadian Legion**

OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE SERVICE LEAGUE

## With The District Agriculturist

Hugh Michael

### The Co-operative Spirit

During 1953 this office has continued to enjoy the splendid co-operation of many individuals and organizations necessary in our work. For this co-operation we wish to express our sincere thanks and the hope that our relationships during 1954 will continue to be even more harmonious and mutually beneficial than they have in the past.

The following groups and organizations have taken an active and very keen interest in our work, therefore materially assisting with the successful culmination of the varied programs we have attempted to carry out together during 1953:

The Club Leaders, Vulcan Lions Club, Champion Lions Club, Carmangay Lion Club, Fort Macleod & District Board of Trade, Granum Board of Trade, Claresholm Men's Club and Chamber of Commerce, Argyle Agricultural Society, Farm Forum Groups, The Starline Women's Club, The M.D. of Argyle, The M.D. of Bright.

The Vulcan County, The Vulcan Board of Trade, The Vulcan County Agricultural Service Board, The Vulcan Advocate, The Macleod Gazette, The Claresholm Local Press, The Staveland Advertiser, The Lethbridge Herald, Radio Station CJOC.

The Dominion Experimental Station, Lethbridge, The Pool Elevators and the Line Elevators, The Hereford, Angus and Shorthorn Breed Associations, The Canadian Bank of Commerce, The T. Eaton Company, Nelson and Leflar, Staveland, The firms and individuals who support the Calf Club Sale.

To all of the above organizations and firms and to all the individuals whom we have had the pleasure of working with—may your Christmas be merry and may 1954 bring greater accomplishments and success.

### HUGE YULE LOG FIRE ONCE THOUGHT TO WARD OFF EVIL

Centuries ago huge fires were built in the great baronial halls in England on Christmas Eve and servants brought in a log that was to burn throughout the Christmas feasting. It was customary to save a brand from each year's fire to light the next one with. If the log was properly burned it was believed that the devil was powerless to do any mischief to the household.

One story has it that stockings were originally hung by fireplaces burning Yule logs in order to absorb the odor of the burning wood and thus give the wearer protection from evil.

### LEGENDS OF HOLLY

Many beliefs are connected with the Christmas holly.

Legends relate that the crown of thorns was plaited from the holly, the white berries turning red like drops of blood after the crucifixion.

It is said that whoever brings the holly into the house first, either husband or wife, is the one who will rule in the ensuing year.

For many years the superstition persisted that holly was hateful to witches. It was placed on doors and windows to keep out evil spirits.

Did you know that since 1949 July has displaced June as the most popular month for marriages in Canada?



Eggnog is a word which conjures up pictures of beautiful ladies, handsome gentlemen and a punch bowl of generous dimensions housing a rich creamy drink. All visions aside, sherry eggnog is a very real potion well suited to festive occasions and yuletide merrymaking. Christmas and New Year's eggnog parties are traditional in some sections of the country.

For later parties where a specified time is set for the comings and goings of the guests, punch bowl service is traditional. Here an eggnog mix can be used, but more than likely it will be made according to recipe.

### SHERRY EGGNOG (Serves 15 to 18)

6 egg yolks  
¾ cup sugar  
2½ cups Sherry  
1 cup homogenized milk  
1 quart heavy cream whipped  
grated nutmeg

Beat egg yolks until thick and lemon colored, then beat in sugar a little at a time. Gradually add Sherry. Cover and chill for at least 3 hours. Fold in milk and heavy cream (whipped to the consistency of soft custard). Pour into punch bowl, fleck with grated nutmeg and serve in punch cups or glasses.

\*In place of 1 quart heavy cream 3 egg whites beaten stiff and 1 pint heavy cream whipped as directed above, may be used.

Whisky, rum, brandy or port

may be used in place of the sherry.

A Christmas eggnog party is fun to plan and serve forth. Buffet style is usual and a punch bowl is a "must" using either punch cups or glasses in which to serve the eggnog. Delectable Christmas cookies and fruitcake are the only food companions necessary, while salted nuts and fancy raisins make pleasant additions. If a late day or evening party is planned, small sandwiches (seafood, chicken and ham are the nicest with eggnog), fruitcake, cookies, fancy dried fruits and salted almonds would be the traditional menu. Shimmering candlelight and gay table decorations, to set off the punch bowl and its delectable contents, will complete the scene for a wonderful party.

## NOTICE

The Vulcan Branch of the Canadian Legion will sponsor a Giant Bingo in January, in place of the previously announced program of four bingo nights.

Proceeds will go to the Canadian March of Dimes Polio-myelitis Foundation.

## YOUTH FOR CHRIST

Presents

**Rev. Joe Brill and Soloist**

in the

**Evangelical United Brethren Church**

at Vulcan

**TUESDAY, JAN. 5th**

at 8:00 p.m.

**EVERYBODY WELCOME**



Here's our sincere wish for you—that each and every one has the finest Christmas you can imagine. And may peace and prosperity be with you throughout the coming year.

**Montie's Barber Shop**

Montie Findlay